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Woodstock selectmen, Patriot talk changes to wind ordinance

By ALISON ALOISIO

Spruce Mountain Wind representatives last week talked with Woodstock officials about possibly altering the town's new wind ordinance to someday allow them to replace their existing turbines with ones that would be quieter overall.

The ordinance, approved narrowly at the March town meeting, restricts future wind projects by imposing a lower maximum decibel level for sound generated by the turbines and greater setback from property lines, along with other requirements.

However, the rules would also apply to the existing Spruce project in cases of expansion or major changes.

Chief Operating Officer Todd Presson of Patriot Renewables, the company that built the Spruce Mountain towers, told selectmen he is concerned about replacing turbines at the end of their useful life, which is typically about 20 years.

He said new technology is being developed that could result in a quieter project, but Patriot might not be able to use it because of the ordinance.

The trend in technology, he said, is toward taller turbines and more production per turbine, but fewer turbines per site. There would also be more spacing between them, he said, changing the configuration. The alterations would trigger the Woodstock ordinance to apply to Patriot.

"We wouldn't want to be in a situation where the ordinance caused us to use older technology because we couldn't consider a new turbine that, for example, would have twice the unit output per turbine - so we could use half the number of turbines and the sound footprint of the project would be significantly lower - but the total megawatt would be the same," said Presson.

He said using older technology to comply with the

ordinance "would result in a less desirable outcome for the town and for us."

He added, "We don't have any specific recommendations necessarily. There's a few sections in the new ordinance that could probably be changed slightly that would allow for that consideration for Spruce."

Planning Board Chairman Jenn Chase and Vice-Chairman Tom Hartford suggested that new wording that would grandfather Patriot on the requirements could be added to the ordinance. The change could then be proposed at next year's annual town meeting.

Selectman Ron Deegan asked Presson to put his company's concerns in writing.

Town Manager Vern Maxfield said after the meeting that should new language be proposed, the Planning Board would likely craft it. He said the

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Estimates for new Greenwood Town Office options revealed

By ALISON ALOISIO

Cost estimates for options for a new Greenwood town office were presented Tuesday at a public hearing on the proposed municipal budget.

Residents will vote on three choices for the office at their May 18 annual town meeting.

The options include building a new, modular office on land donated by the Jackson-Silver American Legion Post on Gore Road; building a new modular office on the site of the current office on Bird Hill Road; and relocating the office to the old Town Hall on Route 26.

Code Enforcement Officer Joelle Corey-Whit-

man, who has been working with a Building Committee to craft the plans, presented information at the hearing. The town has approved \$130,000 for the project.

A new, one-story building located next to the Legion Hall would cost an estimated \$141,819, she said. The structure, to be built 20 feet to the right of the hall, would have a half-basement, half-crawl space beneath it.

The Town Hall option would require renovation of the building, with the first floor converted to an office. The estimated cost is \$201,000.

Precise costs were not available for a modular

building on the current office site, but town officials thought the cost could be comparable to the Legion Hall proposal.

The sites of both existing buildings have dampness problems that would have to be addressed.

Corey-Whitman listed pros and cons for the Legion and Town Hall options.

For the Legion, pros include parking, level location, new construction, smaller building, no septic or well needed, a surveillance system, a generator hookup, use of the hall for board meetings, lifetime tenancy and only four to

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Preliminary school budget has local share hike of 3.8 percent

By ALISON ALOISIO

A preliminary FY'14 school budget of \$10,371,310 - up from \$9,989,269 - would mean a 3.8 percent increase in the overall local tax share compared to last year, SAD 44 officials said Monday.

The increase, if approved by the board and voters, would be "within the ballpark of what the towns are expecting,"

Supt. Dave Murphy told the School Board Monday in a presentation.

Murphy said he met with area town managers early this year and will again.

SAD 44 expects to get \$704,000 in state aid for next year.

"That's over \$2 million less than what we were getting in 2008-2009," Murphy said. The state paid 24.1 percent of the budget for '08-'09, while the projection for next year is 6.3 percent, he said.

The Finance Committee had started its work this year with a budget figure of \$10.5 million, and pared it down by eliminat-

ing preliminary increases of \$100,000 to capital improvement; \$25,000 to instructional contingency; \$16,190 for an athletic trainer position; the reinstatement of the business manager position to full time and miscellaneous other reductions.

Included in the lower budget figure are \$125,000 in Maine State Retirement costs, currently slated to be passed on to the district by the state; salary and benefit increases; an elementary technology education technician position previously covered through federal funds; increases in legal expenses and bus lease costs; professional services increase for K-12 summer work and miscellaneous other items.

Murphy said that if the Maine Legislature votes down the shift in retirement costs to districts, SAD 44 would save that amount of money - but would then likely lose another \$119,000 in state aid.

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Spring swing



Friday's warming temperatures brought out three generations of Ishams - Susan, Tamara and Peyton - to swing at Davis Park in Bethel. Here, Peyton, 3, gets a push from Tamara. Mother and daughter wore matching Boston Red Sox shirts, and Tamara added a cap, to show their support for the city of Boston in the wake of last week's bombings. (Photo: A. Aloisio)

Andover stands strong behind AES; postpones road rebuild

By ALISON ALOISIO

"Will I be going to the same school?" AES kindergartener Wyatt Cole asked his mom, Heidi, as Saturday's special town meeting in Andover concluded.

"Yes," she told him.

Wyatt grinned. A huge turnout of voters overwhelmingly approved an amended article to raise an additional \$72,000 (over \$68,000 already approved) to ensure the Andover Elementary School will stay open at least another year, as the town prepares a plan to possibly withdraw from SAD 44.

The 127-43 vote followed a 74-65 approval of an amendment by Wayne Delano, and headed off a potential vote Monday by the School Board to close AES.

Delano said he favored preserving the school, but knowing "there's a lot of people in town concerned about taxes, I think this article would be more palatable if we take \$40,000 from Surplus to go toward it," he said. "Surplus was increased at town meeting unnecessarily. Surplus is for emergencies. We don't need \$140,000 in there, we never have."

Selectman Keith Farrington disagreed. "I think that is an ex-

tremely short-sighted thing to do," he said.

"We've been trying to build Surplus up intentionally because it was cut back to \$80,000, and now we keep having to borrow and scramble. Surplus is used for cash flow for the town to operate on between December and the time we start getting taxes in, which isn't until August, so we don't have a lot of money to work on. We have \$113,000 in payments before we pay any salaries, and that doesn't include the \$68,000 or the \$72,000. It's my opinion if you want to do this article you should pay for it."

But Delano countered that he would rather pay \$400 in interest to borrow \$40,000 for three months than raise the \$40,000 toward AES.

"We always have to take out a tax anticipation note anyway," he said.

The amendment was approved in a close vote.

When discussion turned to the amended article, several people expressed frustration with SAD 44 for asking for additional funds over the \$68,000 initially approved last month to pay to keep AES open.

"Extortion," "ransom," "holding us hostage" and "holding a gun to our heads," were some of the

terms offered.

One resident asked if Andover paid the same or more per student as its regular share of the SAD 44 budget.

Brad Thibodeau, a former SAD 44 director, said the share depends on the town's valuation, not on its overall or student population. For that reason, he said, "Newry pays a gazillion more per student than we do."

Dick Merrill said Andover should raise the \$72,000 to keep the school open so the withdrawal study process can also continue.

"To keep this process going, I think we have to raise the money," he said. "We don't know what's going to happen down the road. There's several circumstances that could happen that would in-

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West Parish Congregational
Church, UCC Church St. Bethel

ATTENTION TOWN OF BETHEL TAX PAYERS

This notice is to remind you that the second half of your Fiscal Year 2013 tax bill is due and payable May 1, 2013. Interest will begin to accrue May 2, 2013. For the amount owed, please refer to the bill that you received in the fall of 2012.

If you have lost or misplaced your bill you may call the office at 207-824-2669 or email at info@bethelmaine.org for an amount owed.

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Letters

VERNON STREET PLANS

To the Editor:

We are residents of Vernon Street and unfortunately, many of us were unable to attend meetings that took place regarding the upcoming changes. It seems there was very little notice or opportunity for input. We are very concerned about the changes this will bring to our street. It seems as though the trees, the character of the street and the needs of pedestrians and bicyclists are being sacrificed in order for vehicles to move faster on a very residential street.

If this has to be done, we ask that the process is slowed down a little bit so that we can make sure it is done right. Let's see if we can save some of these trees (and the value of people's property) and make it more bike and pedestrian friendly. This road is already noisy and people drive excessively fast as it is. Some things that should be considered: narrower vehicle travel lanes to slow traffic; designated, signed and painted bike lanes on both sides or a 2-way bike lane on one side separated by some kind of barrier; bike friendly drainage grates flush with pavement; a crossing island at the intersection with Main Street to provide pedestrians on Main Street a safer crossing and to slow vehicles turning onto Vernon Street; islands at intersection of Tyler and Kilborn streets; replacing cut trees with appropriate trees of a specific size (not tiny saplings); burying power lines.

Perhaps all these cannot be paid for now, but at least the planning should be done now so there are better options in the future.

We are asking for three things: a meeting scheduled far enough in advance that more of us could participate, the engineering drawings made available online, and having the drawings reviewed by someone familiar with all the options for making streets work for bikes, pedestrians and the neighborhood.

We would also like to be told of any costs to us that will be incurred.

Cathy Heffernan
Bethel

SUPPORT MARIJUANA BILL

To the Editor:

While I grew up in Greenwood, I am one of the many people in our region who have had to find economic opportunity outside of my home state. I keep in close contact with my friends and classmates, and pay attention to the political news in the hope that lawmakers will do the right thing and begin to adequately address some of the core challenges facing rural Maine.

The one part of the economy that seems to never falter is underground marijuana cultivation, sale and consumption. For years, it's been one of the top cash crops in the state. Whether it's ski season or swimming season, our region is driven by tourism. Imagine what we could do for our economy if we legalized it, taxed it and regulated it. We have an opportunity to get ahead of an economic boom while encouraging a steady stream of tourists. The new tax revenues could also help fund education and weatherization while precious law enforcement resources could be better focused on harmful crime.

I urge local lawmakers to support LD 1229, "An Act to Tax and Regulate Marijuana." Let's get ahead of an issue we know is coming, set up a responsible regulatory framework and create real economic opportunity for rural Maine.

Tobias Parker
Murrells Inlet, S.C.

SMILE FUND NEWS

To the Editor:

Healthy smiles are important to all people regardless of age, gender or economic standing. The Smile Fund, established 10 years ago by West Parish Congregational Church, United Church of Christ, is dedicated to helping adults in the SAD44 area who are in need of dentures. This dental work is expensive and the fund is for helping those for whom financial resources are not available. The desire is to improve the quality of someone's smile and with that their self-esteem, which can often lead to improved employment possibilities. Please contact the Rev. Virginia Rickeman at 824-0550 for further information about the Smile Fund or to submit an application for aid. All applications are confidential. Approval has just been given to the 56th client.

On Saturday, April 27, there will be an indoor yard sale at the church to raise funds for this project. Spring cleaning is a good time to go through and sort what might be useful for the sale. The sale will be in the church basement from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. Tools to toys and everything in between will be for sale – something for everyone. Please stop by for the sale. You are sure to find a bargain and your purchase will help a wonderful project. Donations for the sale will be accepted Wednesday, Thursday and Friday (April 24, 25, and 26).

Jane Chandler
Bryant Pond

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NEWRY CHARTER NOT BEST PLAN

To the Editor:

After attending Newry's selectmen's meeting last Tuesday morning, I came home with some pretty troubling thoughts. So, I decided to ask some questions and do a little homework.

Newry has been a town for a little over 200 years. Yes, things have changed over that period of time. But, to take the steps that Mr. Morton is suggesting would be devastating. (To our wallets anyway.)

I'm sure his intentions are good; however, his ideas are not. I know that living in Newry we have one of the lowest tax rates in the state. Something I don't want to change. If a charter were to become the norm then I'm sure it would. And not for the better.

Mr. Morton's idea of a charter calls for a Town Manager, a Tax Collector, a Town Clerk and a Town Treasurer. Now, Newry has a Town Administrator, who does the job of the latter three.

Consolidating these jobs in a small town is a great thing. Having a Town Administrator that can handle this workload and get it done is money in the taxpayer's pocket – something we all want.

Why would we want to pay for two or three more people? Their salaries, their insurance, workman's comp, etc. It just doesn't make sense. Then the charter would call for more selectmen. Guess what that means? More people to pay!

After reading over Mr. Morton's case for a charter, I have to wonder his motives? He states that "We have created a position that is operating outside of the rule of law." The so-called "Position" that we created, Town Administrator. A position that many towns across our great state have.

He goes on to say that a Town Manager cannot hold the offices of Town Clerk, Tax Collector and Town Treasurer. If that's the case sound the alarm! Newry isn't the only town operating outside the rule of law. I do believe Bethel's Town Manager holds two of those positions well.

If Mr. Morton's thinking is in a different direction, then please explain. I see no need to pursue this charter any more. Financially it's a bad idea. I think that's why the other two selectmen voted against this proposal. Not for "lack of intellectual effort."

After sitting through the rest of the meeting and listening to selectman Morton's concerns, I heard him push for a Road Commissioner and a Town Attorney as well. I see no problem with advice from MMA. He on the other hand thinks they are "Promoting their own agenda." Here again, two more positions that are going to cost us taxpayers more money.

Either Mr. Morton has his own agenda and no problem spending a lot of our money or he was misinformed by his small assembly of townspeople.

I'm all for rules, regulations and going by the book. If that's what you want, then let's sit down as a town and voice our concerns and make some. What I'm not about is spending my tax dollars and hidden agendas.

A charter is a road that Newry has no business taking. As for the agendas, let's put 'em out there.

Jason Berry
Newry

(Note: Jason Berry is the son of Newry Town Administrator Loretta Powers.)

FURIOUS ABOUT HEALTH INSURANCE COSTS

To the Editor:

I am furious! I have recently watched Huckabee program on Fox News. Whether you are liberal, conservative, Democrat or Republican, you owe it to yourself to spend at least 30 minutes per week watching Fox News. Whether you agree with Fox's conservative views, or not, you should be exposed to the news as they present it, because they admit their biases, and they present the liberal views whenever they can get a responsible liberal (often the head of the Democratic party, or a liberal radio personality, and a liberal commentator who was fired from NPR (National Public Radio) for making a comment that he once flew on a commercial airliner where a person wearing Arab garb boarded his flight, making him nervous. (against NPR's liberal bias)

I am furious because Huckabee's program exposed some of the lies that have been promulgated by the Obama administration and the Democratic party, concerning how Obamacare is working and how it is saving this country billions of dollars in health care costs.

Tennessee, like Massachusetts and New York state, passed a comprehensive universal health care plan 4 or 5 years ago. Since passage of that law, the cost of health care in Tennessee has gone up over 400%! The state has passed a state income tax in order to get control of the costs and is still trying to figure out how to pay for health care costs.

One reason Texas opted out of Obamacare is that once a state is in that program, there is no way they can opt back out! The other big reason is that the federal government will pick up all costs of implementation for the first two years, and then the state is forced to pay at least 10% of the costs and probably much more as the federal government begins to run out of money faster than it already is.

Medicare reimbursements to doctors and hospitals are already less than their costs of treating those payments. The government plans to further reduce reimbursements and expects doctors and hospitals to take ever more Medicare patients because already some 10,000 baby boomers per DAY are now entering the system. To expect them to do more with less when they are already losing money on these patients is fantasy!

Surveys of small businesses reveal that medical insurance costs for their employees has already increased between 28 percent and over 100 percent and is projected to increase by another at least 40 percent in the next year, when Obamacare fully kicks in!

It is estimated that health insurance has already increased by \$3,000 per year for the average person and is expected to increase another 40 percent next year.

These are only some of the horror stories that real people are experiencing, and nobody knows how many more horrors are in store when the thousands of new regulations are finally decoded. Even Democrats admit that implementation of the many new regulations is so complex that the government is planning to hire more than 100,000 new employees, called "navigators" whose sole job will be to explain the rules to people and help them decide which "suite of choices" they should choose!

Now, you can understand why I am furious! And scared!

Richard Grover
Mason

CAREER WEEK THANKS

To the Editor:

From March 18 to March 22 the junior class at Telstar High School took time out of the classroom to job shadow people in the community and beyond during Telstar's annual Career Week.

We would like to thank those of you who helped our students with their projects. We acknowledge that it took time and energy on your part to teach and show them the ropes of your profession. We feel it is a great experience for kids wanting hands-on experience in a profession they may choose to pursue. It helps give them direction as they finish their last year and a half of high school. They returned to school very positive about their experiences. On Friday, April 5, juniors shared their projects with the school in a Career Week Fair. Slide shows and posters enabled other students to see what their experiences were like and many questions were asked as a result. We appreciate the excitement you generated in our students.

In particular, we would like to thank the following businesses who hosted Telstar juniors: Stephens Memorial Hospital's Emergency Room, Radiology, Obstetrics, and Physical Therapy departments, Crescent Park School, Oxford Hills Comprehensive High School, Norway Animal Hospital, Dr. Whitney, DDS, Farmers Insurance Company, Bethel Area Chamber of Commerce, Dan's Automotive, Bethel Animal Hospital, D.A. Wilson's Garage, Jade's Salon, Shamrock Sports and Entertainment of Portland, Responsible Pet Care, Sunday River, Sunday River Ski Patrol, Western Maine Mountain Clinic, ZIS Publishing, LLC of Albany, NY, Tom's of Maine, Chandler Funeral Home, Hannaford Pharmacy, Ken's Yamaha, Woodstock School, Norm Lewis Game Warden, Rumford Hospital, Boston Children's Hospital, Ledgeview Living Center, Maine State Police, Cafe DiCocoa, Brian's Bistro and Brooks Brothers.

If you or your business has interest in hosting students during future Career Weeks or you have interest in having students do internships with you, please contact the high school office at 824-2136.

Thanks again for letting our students see some of the wonderful opportunities that exist in our communities.

Telstar High School's Career Week Advisors:

Sarah Southam, Melissa Poston, Robin Fraser, Charlie Raymond and Lori Lindsay

"Celladore" can be found on Page 16 this week.

Our Back Pages

Danna Brown Nickerson

10 years ago: Fifteen fifth-grade girls at Crescent Park were participating in "Girls on the Run," a pilot program teaching exercise and life skills.

An Open House was held at the Prodigal Inn and Gallery (formerly The Douglass Place) in Mayville.

Births: Lillian and Henry Botka, Morgan Ann Letourneau, Utah Libby Bean, Nolan Tanner Fowles, Tracker Ray Gross, Grayson Stanley Kimball, Caden Heath Poland.

Deaths: Warren Morgan Powers, Lillian S. Sowersby, Sharon Lou Carmichael, Samuel Ward Bennett, Sandon A. Morgan.

20 years ago: A groundbreaking was held for the new addition to the Bethel Alliance Church.

Franklin Grange 124 met for a Booster night and open house. The Community Service Award was presented to Juanita Allen.

Birth: Margaret Louise Brooks.

Death: Alfred J. "Coco" Legere, Verna M. Raymond.

30 years ago: Andover's Cadette Troop 333 and Junior Girl Scout Troop 674 enjoyed a bus tour to Washington, DC.

Julie Thibodeau opened her new shop, Shear Designs, in the former laundromat building on Main Street in Locke Mills.

Birth: Adam Leroy Stevens.

Deaths: Mrs. Sylvia S. Conroy, Homer A. Barlow, Edna B. McSorley.

40 years ago: The Telstar Regional High School Drama Club was rehearsing for a presentation of "Our Town."

The Bethel Emergency Ambulance and Rescue Service sponsored a Blue Grass Music Stage Show at Telstar Regional High School.

Birth: Tamerica Lynne Newell.

Deaths: Howard C. Walker, Everett E. Burnham, Winfield S. Howe.

50 years ago: The Bethel Health and Service Council announced that Rev. Richard Hamilton would be chairman for the 1963 Mollycoddett Day Bazaar.

There were 3500 doses of Sabin Oral Polio Vaccine available for the second in a series of Sabin Clinics at the Bethel Congregational Church.

Births: Rebecca Susan Davis, Gary Leigh Dean.

60 years ago: Pvt. S. Eldon Greenleaf was spending a few days with his parents before leaving for the West Coast en route to Japan.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Brown, Anne and Corey left by train for Prince Rupert, B. C. to board a boat for the remainder of their journey to Juneau, Alaska, where they were to make their home.

Deaths: George Nahum Bennett, Isaac A. Thorne, Wilbur F. Yates.

70 years ago: O'Neil Robertson was attending Jefferson Medical College in Philadelphia.

Albert Silver sold his farm at Northwest Bethel to Woodbury Thayer. Chesley Saunders purchased the Lovejoy property on Vernon Street.

80 years ago: A private dining room was built at Maple Inn. It was approximately 25x26 feet.

There was a 12-inch fall of heavy snow in Newry.

90 years ago: O. D. Seavey, one-time manager of Bethel Inn, died at his home in Magnolia Springs, Fla.

Several prominent Rumford businessmen organized a company for the manufacture of an anti-septic germicide called Naklo.

100 years ago: Ray Crockett purchased a fine new moving picture machine.

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Letters

NO MANIPULATION

To the Editor:

As citizens of Bethel and small business operators, we are both grateful for and dependent upon the many blessings our natural surroundings provide. Speaking from our personal perspective, we become very concerned about anything that threatens those blessings and we do our best to learn about and address them. We're happy to meet others who share our concerns and do the work required to help our community meet those threats.

We have worked hard to do that over the past three years with regard to the very real threat of Tar Sands Oil, with letters to various newspapers, presentations to local organizations, and private conversations. The Bethel Citizen has done a good job of providing coverage as well, with an extensive article by Alison Aloisio last August. The news of gruesome Tar Sands Oil spills in Alberta, Michigan, Illinois and now Arkansas speak loudly to us and responsible reporting is at last overcoming the powerful "message control" exerted by oil and pipeline companies.

Those companies have shown themselves willing to lie, distort, and withhold vital information from American citizens in order to protect their public image. That's what we're all up against and trying to share with our community so that we can protect ourselves from incidents like those mentioned above. We have done our very best with our limited skills and resources, to deal with our Select Board and Town Meetings. We have never manipulated the process. Rather, we seek to learn and improve it in order to prevent a repeat of the embarrassment we endured at the January Special Town Meeting. Fortunately, attendees joined many other American towns and adopted the Resolution to reject Tar Sands Oil.

We're doing all we can to gather reliable, fact-based information to share with our community. In turn, we remain open and invite other interested citizens to share the work, to seek reliable, fact-based info and bring it to the public discussion. We'd be delighted to help where we can.

Seabury and Sharon Lyon
Bethel

PROJECT GRADUATION FUNDRAISING

To the Editor:

Project Graduation fundraising efforts are in full swing. We have sent out donation letters to various businesses requesting either a monetary donation, or a merchandise donation, such as T-shirts, hats, gift certificates or anything to benefit the seniors' last night together. If we have missed anyone who would like to donate, please send all donations to Telstar Regional High School 284 Walkers Mills Road. c/o Wendy Hanscom.

Senior "Stars" are currently available at Northeast Bank, Norway Savings Bank, Bethel Foodliner, Inman's Diner, Andover Town Office, We've Got the Look and Teresa's Hair Studio. They can be purchased for \$1, and feel free to write a message to a graduate on the star.

The goal of Project Graduation is to save the lives of our children by having a supervised, chemical free celebration culminating with all night activities immediately after graduation on Friday, June 14, 2013.

We would like to take this time to thank the community for its support for this worthwhile event.

Project Graduation Committee
Telstar Regional High School

Woodstock

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concerns about the ordinance preventing Patriot from upgrading to a quieter project surfaced publicly at a hearing on the project prior to the March town meeting.

At the March meeting, Woodstock Wind Ordinance Chairman Bob Elliott had told voters Patriot would be restricted from using newer, more

powerful turbines not by the ordinance, but by its own current state permit. He said that because the current project is at its allowed limit of 20 megawatts of power generation, it could not go over that.

He also said the permit expires in 20 years, and Patriot would have to return for new approvals at that time anyway.

To the Editor:

The Town of Greenwood is looking at building a new town office. However, if you had mold in your basement would you just vacate your home or would you try some measures to re-mediate the mold?

There are many options that can be evaluated. One option is to get rid of the basement, fill it in, and cap it off. The boiler room is not in the basement. The dry rot in the support beams can be corrected by installing a channel iron on either side of the wood beam and bolting through.

My house is close to one-hundred years old and I would not abandon it because of a few maintenance items.

Town officials just want a new office space, and I would like a new house, but the taxpayers are not going to pay for it. During a time where much of the talk is about municipalities merging, it is not the time for a new building.

Kenneth Roberts
Greenwood Taxpayer

TOWN OFFICE OPTIONS

FUNDRAISER THANKS

To the Editor:

Just a little note to express a heart-filled Thank You for the gatherings on March 17 and April 13. The outpouring of support from friends, family and townsfolk from near and far was truly incredible.

An enormous thanks to all businesses and individuals who donated items for the live auction - there wouldn't have been one without your generosity.

A special thanks go to everyone involved with the Sleigh Ride, Live Auction, Concert and Spaghetti Dinner. We never realized how blessed we truly are. We are forever grateful to each and every one of you.

Kevin and Vicky Hughes
Andover

Wastewater funds announced for Bethel

Bethel has been selected to receive a total of \$1,303,000 through the U.S. Department of Agriculture in the form of a Water and Waste Disposal grant of \$503,000 and loan of \$800,000, according to a press release.

USDA Rural Development funds will be used to replace a 40-year-old pump station, make updates to two other pump stations, and install a new force main along Vernon Street in Bethel, among other upgrades. The project will ensure the system is working properly for its 441 residential users, 73 commercial, and 25 public facilities.

Town Manager Jim Doar said the town plans to put the work out to bid this week. USDA Rural Development State Director Virginia Manuel said, "Congratulations to the Town of Bethel for being selected as Maine USDA Rural Development's Earth Day Project for 2013. Rural Development's key contribution of \$1.3 million will ensure the town can make vital upgrades that will help to protect the Androscoggin River, Mill Brook, and surrounding wetlands, keeping Maine's environment pristine for residents and visitors to enjoy."

In all, 43 water and wastewater projects in 32 states will be funded, according to the release.

Earth Day is observed annually on April 22 to raise awareness about the role each person can play to protect natural resources and safeguard the environment. Since the first Earth Day celebration in 1970, the event has expanded to include participation by citizens and governments in more than 195 countries.



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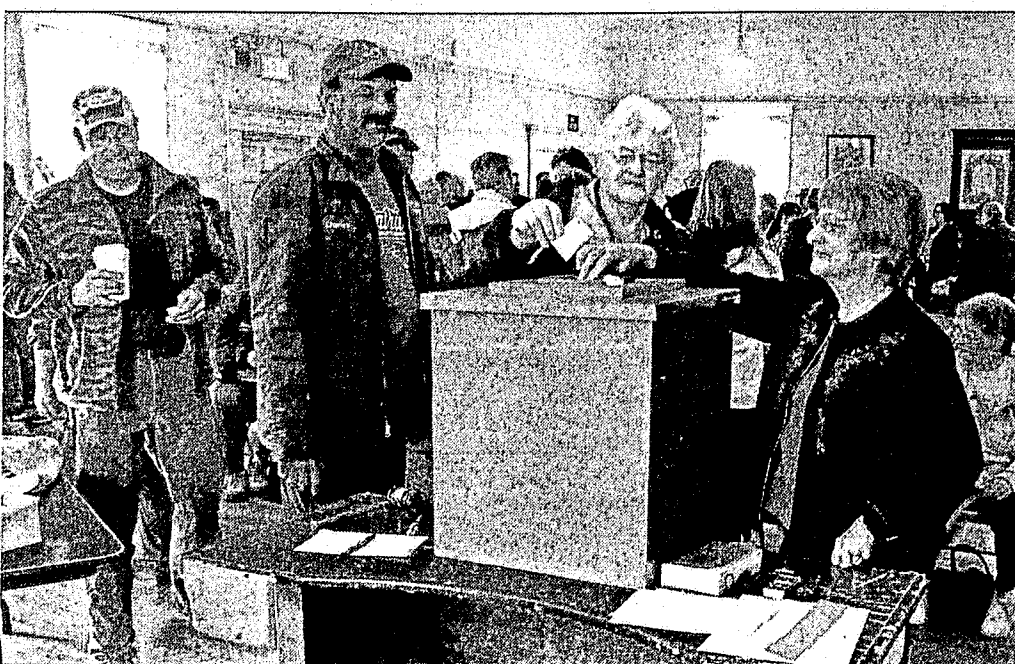
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Andover

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AES SAVED
Left, Moderator Jared Dumas announces that residents have voted 127-43 to raise an additional \$72,000 to keep the Andover Elementary School open another year. In the foreground, ballot clerks Barbara Simmons and Melinda Averill collect the counted ballots. Below left, Esau Cooper, Charles Morton, Carol Morton and Judy Tabb at the ballot box.
(Photos: A. Aloisio)



crease our taxes to this amount or more for every year as long as we're in the district."

He used the example of Newry possibly withdrawing from SAD 44 and taking its large valuation and share of the school budget with it.

Others agreed that it would be important to know the cost of the town's educational options, and that keeping the school open so the withdrawal process can continue would put Andover in charge of the school's ultimate fate.

They also cited the difficulty in reopening the school should it close because of the cost to upgrade it to state standards. Currently, AES is grandfathered.

Road project defeated

After the funds were approved, residents revisited a vote taken at the March annual town meeting to approve a 10-year road bond to rebuild a mile of the Farmer's Hill Road. The \$320,000 bond would have annual payments of approximately \$38,000, beginning next year.

Delano said he usually feels that articles at an annual town meeting should not be revoked, "unless there are extenuating circumstances."

The situation with the school qualified as that, he said. At the March meeting, said Delano, voters did not know there would be a request from SAD 44 for another \$72,000.

And with general uncertainty regarding education in Andover, he said, "I would like to see [the road project] turned down at least until the school is settled."

Road Commissioner Marshall Meisner said the Farmer's Hill Road needs fixing. But, he said, "I would like to think it will last another year or two until we get the school thing settled one way or the other. My personal opinion, as a taxpayer, I would vote this down. As the road commissioner, it needs to be done."

Others said the school and the town's children are a higher priority than roads.

The article was easily defeated.

CORRECTION
ANDOVER WITHDRAWAL COMMITTEE MEMBER—Earlier articles in the Citizen on the Andover school withdrawal issue should have said David Percival is a member of the Withdrawal Committee.

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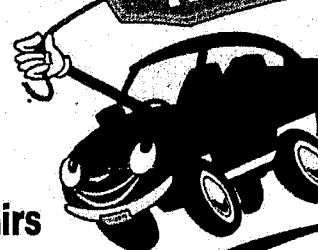
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SAD 44

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Several directors said they saw a need for more help in the district's Central Office, where Murphy has been relying on part-time services for business management work.

Chairman Lainey Cross said she would favor adding the position to the budget without cutting anything else.

Murphy said the Finance Committee had discussed gradually increasing funds for business management help.

"My only concern this year is I think some of the increases we're looking at to the towns are right up around what they're looking at as a maximum figure," He recommended "working through" the coming year with the possibility of expanding to a larger business management role in the future.

The Finance Committee hopes to have a final proposal figure for directors to vote on at their May 6 meeting.

Andover vote

The board also voted to accept a total of \$140,000 in additional funds from Andover to keep the Andover Elementary School open next year (see related story, Page 1).

Bethel director Lynn Arizzi abstained. She told the board she had considered voting against the question, and wanted to explain why.

"I have a really deep feeling that the students in Andover could be better educated in our other elementary schools, and that has been my thought for a long time," she said, citing a need to "broaden their horizons."

She said she hoped Andover, in considering the question of whether to withdraw from SAD 44, "will consider all of the wonderful things you will be missing if you withdraw from our district."

As examples she mentioned a recently-ap-

proved program to purchase iPads for kindergarten students and a plan to send some Telstar seniors to Central Maine Community College for both high school and college credit.

In approving the acceptance of the funds, directors also agreed to a request from Andover selectmen to allow the town to defer payment of the \$72,000 portion of the total until Oct. 1 if needed, to prevent cash flow problems.

Laptops for public?

SAD 44 directors voted to once again sell laptop computers to the community, and in the process, they hope, finance buying used computers for the district's students.

The Maine Laptop Initiative buys computers for use by seventh- and eighth-graders statewide. The state pays for them over four years. After that time they become available for purchase to the districts using them.

Four years ago SAD 44 bought the computers it was using, as well as an additional 200 that other districts had not purchased and had turned back in to the state.

SAD 44 then sold those used computers to the community, at rates only slightly above cost. "They sold out very quickly," Murphy said.

Murphy said that this year, SAD 44 has 478 laptops in the district that it can buy for \$47 each.

If the district buys those (and a few dozen more for backup), as well as approximately 500 others through the state to sell locally at \$100 each, "then you could pay off what you had to spend on all your computers and have \$3,000 left," he said.

The used computers are MacBooks. The board approved the purchase of up to 1,000 computers total, if they are available from the state.

Project Opportunity offers \$25,000 for THS/CMCC project

By ALISON ALOISIO

Project Opportunity Monday approved up to \$25,000 to support a pilot program that would allow Telstar seniors to enroll in a dual program to earn a year's worth of college credit at Central Maine Community College while completing their high school graduation requirements.

Project Opportunity provides college scholarships for graduating Telstar students, but also funds other aspiration-related endeavors for current students.

The donation, Supt. Dave Murphy told school directors at their meeting Monday, would cover a year's tuition at CMCC for 10 to 12 Telstar students who might decide to take advantage of the program, beginning next year.

The offer was announced at the SAD 44 board meeting by Charlie Raymond, a Project Opportunity board member and dean of students at Telstar.

The CMCC idea was first discussed by the School Board April 8. Murphy said then he would seek to fund as much of the costs through grants and outside money, as possible, but the district would have to pay some of the expenses. In addition to the tuition, the CMCC project would require \$25,000 to \$30,000 to transport the students to the Auburn college.

At Monday's School Board meeting, after more discussion and input from CMCC representatives, directors approved the plan.

The CMCC officials stressed participants must be able to handle college work, noting that CMCC is not a stepping stone to college but an actual college. Classes that Telstar students would be eligible to take could include such topics as history, psychology, accounting, business and computer technology.

School directors had many questions and some concerns.

Tim Akers of Andover wondered if seniors would be willing to effectively leave Telstar for their senior year, leaving behind friends.

Murphy said that was an unknown, and this year's juniors would have to be queried on such issues in order to determine how much interest there would be in the program.

Kate Botka of Bethel wondered if district funds would be better spent on its younger students.

Keith Smith of Andover, chairman of the Finance Committee, supported the program. He said, "From a financial perspective, there's no way we could offer this much variety [in courses] to our students at that cost. The benefit we would get is just tremendous. It's about the cost of one teacher that we would be investing in this."

The Project Opportunity offer was announced after the board's discussion, and was met with applause.

"We will begin the process of conversing with our junior class," Murphy said after the board vote.

OCSD Bethel Patrol Log

Tuesday, April 16

At 7:34 p.m. Deputies Peter Casey and Nathan Bowie responded to Vernon Street for a report of an unregistered vehicle being operated. There was no contact.

Thursday, April 18

At 9:05 a.m. Deputy Peter Casey responded to a report of a subject being followed by an aggressive subject. The case is under investigation.

At 3:34 p.m. on Main Street Deputy Peter Casey arrested Richard G. James, 18, of Bethel for operating a motor vehicle beyond his license restriction. He was also charged with possession of drug paraphernalia.

Friday, April 19

At 2:14 p.m. on the West Bethel Road Deputy Nathan Bowie summonsed a subject reported for littering from a tractor trailer.

Saturday, April 20

At 10:20 a.m. Deputy Josh Wyman responded to Main Street for a 911 hangup call. It was determined there was no emergency.

At 12:41 p.m. a subject asked for a deputy regarding ID theft over the Internet. Deputy Josh Wyman was assigned.

At 3:05 p.m. on Route 26 Deputy Dani Welch arrested Ty A. Whitworth on a PFA violation.

Sunday, April 21

At 2:33 a.m. a subject reported several people with ATVs tearing up tracks and property in West Bethel. Deputy Sullivan Rizzo was assigned.

At 12:13 p.m. a report was received that a vehicle on Route 2 was swerving and its occupants were yelling at people. Deputy Willie Nelson was assigned.

At 4:09 p.m. Deputy Peter Casey was told to be on the lookout for an elderly subject driving on Mayville Road who had had her license revoked for medical status. There was no contact.

At 8:24 p.m. Deputy Peter Casey was assigned to investigate an assault between two Bethel men inside a business on Railroad Street.

Monday, April 22

At 5:27 p.m. a report was received of a gas driveoff from Railroad Street by a black Maine vehicle headed south on Route 26. Deputy Nathan Bowie was assigned.

This report highlights points of interest from the Oxford County Sheriff's Department Bethel Patrol log. It lists cases reported in the log of adults being arrested or issued a summons in the 10 days prior to the newspaper's publication, but does not include all reports of activity, such as routine speeding tickets and other civil violations. To reach the OCSD, call 911 in emergency situations, 824-3437 in non-emergencies.

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Greenwood

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five weeks to be ready. Cons include location out of the village, an increase in highway maintenance and lifetime tenancy.

Town officials said although the Legion option exceeds the budgeted figure, the Building Reserve Account could cover the difference.

For the Town Hall, pros included central location, preserving the building and maintaining a single building. Cons included parking, well issues, possible need for a septic design, drainage needed, a wet/molded basement needing fixing, a two and one half to three month timeline for work, dangerous pedestrian traffic, no insulation, possible mold remediation and an environmental study needed.

If the Town Hall option is chosen, additional tax money would have to be raised to cover the added cost.

An estimate for the Bird Hill site option will be available for town meeting. Only the other two options were looked at in detail for the hearing. A modular building on the current office site would require relocating the staff elsewhere during the time of construction.

In discussion at the hearing, attended by about a dozen people, Selectboard Chair Fred Henderson favored extra funds for a full basement at the Legion

site. "I'm worried if we don't do it, later we may wish we did," he said.

Corey-Whitman said the added cost would likely be \$2,500 to \$3,000.

Selectman Amy Chapman said she was concerned that moving the office to the Town Hall would change the character of that building.

Selectmen have also said, however, that some residents worry that if the office goes anywhere but the Town Hall, the old hall would be disposed of.

But, said Henderson, "I think the Town Hall will stand on its own."

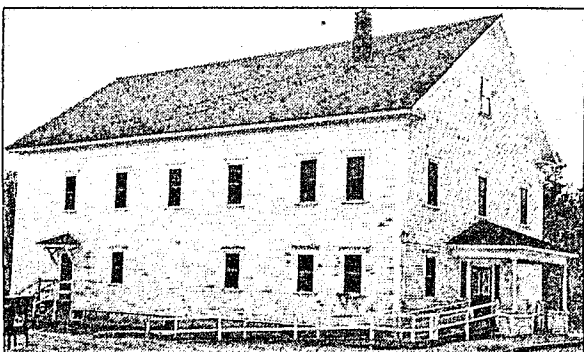
Corey-Whitman said that if the office goes elsewhere, the current Building Committee could then turn its attention to repairs for the hall. "It could be a new focus for them," she said. "It's a wonderful old building."

Added Blaine Mills, president of the Greenwood Historical Society, "It's got the best floor in the county."

Corey-Whitman had two contractors provide estimates to address the building's water-related issues, and the two figures were \$28,000 and \$52,000.

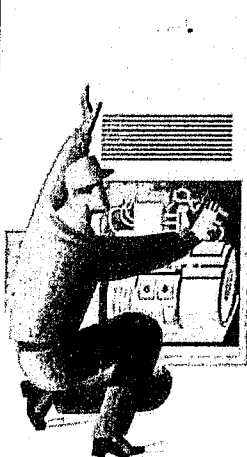
The Town Hall will also need painting and a new roof in the near future.

There was little discussion on the overall municipal budget, which is proposed at nearly flat-funding from last year.



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By NANCY BROWN



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On Saturday the first bouquet of dandelions, my favorite spring flower, arrived at my desk at the Norway library. Unfortunately, they weren't for me. A six-year-old boy had seen the flowers growing near the parking lot on Friday and begged his mother to come back to the library on Saturday. While she looked for books, he picked the flowers, and presented them to her when she checked out her books. "The best flowers I've ever received," she said.

Flowers in Norway seem to blossom one or two days ahead of Bethel. By Sunday afternoon, I found bluebells, myrtle, and dandelions blossomed near my house. The trails behind Telstar High School still have patches of snow and ice, but I found budding Mayflowers just inches from the snow along the trail.

If you drive south of town on Route 26, notice the brilliant yellow daffodils that cover the road

bank near the Paws' Inn. Daffodils have bloomed in this spot for at least sixty years. Like lilacs, daffodils seem to endure for decades in this area.

A new business will open soon in Bethel says a sign in the window of the former Hot Taco restaurant on Mechanic Street. The business will have live bait, lobster, game tagging, hunting and fishing licenses and gear, and arts and crafts.

If you have news to share, please e-mail me at brownnancy1950@gmail.com, or call me at 824-2483.

East Bethel

By WALLY RITZ



It sure has been nice to see the sun shining more often, warming things up.

Would be nice if the nighttime temperatures would get a bit more pleasant also.

Ruby Coolidge, Arlene and Gloria were at the Town Hall to see Butch Fuller and Band. It was to benefit the Greenwood Historical Society. Folks felt there should have been better advertising for the event, as attendance was kind of disappointing.

Anne, Butch, Paige, Jarrod and Teddy, who by the way is an awesome little traveler, just came back from a week's trip to Tennessee. They stopped at West Point, Radford, where Jarrod graduated from. Went on to Grundy, Va., where Jarrod graduated from law school. Other stops included Pigeon Forge and Gatlinburg where they saw awesome classic cars and truck. They also went to the Aquarium of the Smokies and on the way home stopped at the Davy Crockett Homestead Museum. Sounds like quite the fun trip.

The first Fish Fry was a great success. The GFD sold 35 pounds of fish and 15 pounds of chicken. I missed this one, but hope to be at the next one in May.

Alder River Grange will try for a make-up meet-

ing on April 26. The meeting for April 12 had to be canceled due to road conditions. There will be a 6 p.m. potluck supper and the meeting at 7 p.m. Visitors are welcome.

Time for the answer to the Trivia. In 1874 Charles Mellen Kimball represented the East Bethel School District 8 at the Bethel Centennial Celebration.

It seems that some have new phone numbers. Please, be so kind and let me know the new numbers. Call me at 824-3220 or e-mail han@megalink.net. Have a great week.

Gilead

By LIN CHAPMAN



The snow is gone on the front lawn and it is now covered with lots of

spring birds. The little chipmunk is competing for seeds and darting between the birds on the ground. The Goldfinches are getting more yellow each day and the Purple Finches are getting redder. There were two female Cardinals at the feeder last weekend, but no sign of the male Cardinal.

My brother, Steve McLain, was at the house Saturday morning. After visiting for a while, we went over to the Town Office and he put up the bulletin board by the tax collector's desk.

Mary Tyler has increased the number of moose that she has seen this season to five. Besides the two she saw in Gilead, she saw three more on her way to visit relatives in New Hampshire.

Our grandson, Ben Chapman, called last Sunday from the US Coast Guard Academy in Connecticut. He wanted to wish Hugh a Happy Birthday. He will be wrapping up his first year there in a couple of weeks. Finals are coming right up and then he will begin summer with six weeks on the US Coast Guard Cutter the Eagle.

William and Annie were visiting Tim, Michele, Ajay and Sidney this past weekend. Tim stopped by, on their way back home Sunday so William and Annie could wish

Hugh a Happy Birthday, also.

Gilead Historical Society

Norm Buttrick and Cathy McGuire were in town recently at their place on the Bog Road. They had visitors from Belgium and brought them to tour the Schoolhouse and Railroad Station. Sophie Rase-Dehu and her husband, Vincent Dehu, along with their children, Charlotte and Arthur and her brother, Vincent Rase, spent some time with Norm and Cathy. A few years ago, when Norm was teaching, Sophie was one of his archeology students who was here on an exchange program. She went to St. Joseph's College on a scholarship and later became a lawyer when she returned home to Belgium. She works for the European Community in Luxembourg.

Mary Tyler is working on the 2014 calendar that the GHS is doing to have ready for Friends and Family Day on June 22. We will be having a meeting on May 4 at the Town Hall at 1 p.m. to make final plans for the event which will be a lunch that will be open to the public and a guest speaker.

Got any news? Call 836-2987 or e-mail chapmal@hotmail.com

Upton

By JOE BERNIER



The Upton Historical Society met Sunday, April 21. They held their

elections and set up their schedule and plans for the summer. The theme for the Upton Fun Day parade this year is "farming, yesteryear." The Society planned a cleanup day at Forest Lodge for Saturday, May 18. The crew will meet at the Upton school at 7 a.m. and carpool from there. Their next meeting is Sunday, May 19, 1 p.m. at the school.

The Upton Planning Board will meet Friday, April 26, 6:30 p.m. at the town office.

Sad news to report, Margaret Mitchell, a longtime family friend, and Upton summer resident



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recently passed away. Our heartfelt condolences to her family.

I have been asked to report Umbagog ice out time and date. As soon as it happens please let me know, so I can pass the information along.

Please call 533-2010 or e-mail backstjoe@gmail.com with your news.

Bryant Pond

By ALICE HOYT



The Woodstock Historical Society meeting was held on Saturday, April

13, at the Town Conference Room. A good crowd attended. Program was on History of Woodstock by Joyce Howe. The next meeting will be on May 11 at the museum. This will be a clean-up time starting at 3 p.m. followed by a meeting ending in a potluck supper. Come join in the cleaning. Many hands make for quick work done.

Franklin Grange 124 met on Monday evening at the hall. Many items were discussed. On Sunday, April 28, the Grange will be honoring Jolene Littlehale with the Community Service Award and Roy Day as a World War Veteran. This is open to the public. Family and friends are welcome. Time: 2 to 4 p.m. Refreshments will be served. On May 4 is a Mock Hee-Haw Show at the Grange Hall at 7 p.m. for the building fund - \$6 each. Come join the fun. At the next meeting on May 6, it will be inspection and Connie Tutlis will receive her 65-year certificate.

Services at the Baptist Church are Sunday school at 9:15, Morning Worship at 10:30, Evening Service at 6. Wednesday evening at 6:30 is Midweek Service. On Sunday, April 14, three young ladies were baptized. Refreshments were served after the service. April 28 is "Love Your Church Sunday," celebrating the church's 157th birthday. A special birthday cake will be served following the evening service.

The Whitman Memorial Library will hold two programs in May. May 9, Diane Ward of Deep Wood Farm will be giving a general overview of all she offers with her summer riding programs. She gives private or group lessons to all ages and abilities including senior citizens, beginning riders on up to advanced. They have public trail rides and weekend camping with the horses. Come see all she has to

offer. On Thursday, May 16, Sarah Wright will be presenting a PowerPoint program, "Black Bears: Dispelling the Myths for Peaceful Coexistence." Sarah is one of the few education outreach speakers belonging to the organization of Wildlife Research Institute. This is an educational program for all: hunters, non-hunters, old and young. The program is factual and entertaining. All programs start at 2 p.m. Open to the public at no charge. Light refreshments will be served.

The Woodstock-Greenwood Senior Citizens will meet on Thursday, May 2, at the Locke Mills Union Church for a meeting with dinner provided by the Ladies Circle and program is to bring pictures or something to tell about. Meeting starts at 11:30. New members always welcome.

Locke's Mills

By BETSEY FOSTER



Greenwood Planning Board members David Brainard and Larry Merlino

recently discussed the proposed wind power site ordinance with the Selectmen. They all decided the ordinance still needed more work and was not ready to be voted on at the Town Meeting in May.

Mike Daniels was appointed to the Board of Appeals. Years back Mike served on the Planning Board but resigned when he became editor of The Bethel Citizen. Now that he has retired, we get the benefit of his knowledge and insights once again. Thanks for doing this, Mike.

Town Manager Kim Sparks said the town report will, hopefully, be available by the time you read this. Instead of sending the report to a printer and incurring that cost, the reports are printed from the copier at the Town Office. Not only does this save money, it also means there is no waste because the reports are printed as needed. You can pick up a copy at the Town Office, Inch-by-Inch Farm in Greenwood City, and at The Local Hub on Main Street.

The street sweeping machines were out cleaning up winter debris from the street-sides of Locke's Mills village. As always, our road crew takes good care of us.

Tuesday evening (too late for this column) the selectmen and Budget Committee met to hear residents' comments



HOPE OF SPRING-Despite the chilly temperatures, Bethel's flower volunteers were out last week preparing the town's traffic islands for planting. Working here at the top of Main Street are, from front, Lida Iles and Lucia and Eric Schwarz. Iles describes the color schemes, and dreams, of the volunteer group: "The perennial flowers that come back every year in this bed are orange Day-lilies, Autumn Joy Sedum, something else that is purple, and some taller lilies. They were planted a few years back by someone else so we don't know exactly what's there. We try to coordinate the colors. We won't actually be planting anything until the end of May or beginning of June, when the danger of frost is past. We actually would love to see hanging baskets, full of flowers in coordinated colors, on the telephone poles going all the way up Main Street from the Parkway. We think it would draw people into the village by the beauty of it and thus would help the businesses. We saw this done in Victoria, B.C., and it was breathtaking. Of course, Bethel is not Victoria, so we cannot do it on such a grand scale, but we could investigate to see how much it would cost on a more modest budget. There are people in town who give cash gifts for the flowers in appreciation of what we are doing, so maybe we could start a fund. We are always surprised and tickled when people act so generously."

about the various proposals for a new town office.

The Greenwood Historical Society will meet Wednesday, May 1, 7 p.m. at the building on Main Street, Locke's Mills. Jim and Julia Bennett will present the program, "Letters to the South Pacific."

An art show featuring the works of my neighbor Pete Musso opens Friday, May 3, at Artistic Endeavors on Main Street, Bethel. The opening will be 5-7 p.m. that day and is open to all. His work will be on display there until the end of June.

On an unusual note, I ran into a garter snake on top of the snow last week. The live foot-long snake was lying in the middle of a 12-foot wide stretch of snow. Since snakes are cold blooded, she must have warmed up enough in the sun to have made it part way across the snow before she became too cold to continue moving. In an effort to help, I tried to pick her up and move her off the snow and into the sun. With a flick of the tongue, she found the energy to get to the edge of the snow and into the woods. She made it quite clear she neither wanted nor needed my help. Never saw a "snow snake" before and don't expect to again.

The Greenwood ponds opened up between April 17 and 19. The only one that may still have ice is Overset Pond, but that is

in a class by itself with its higher elevation.

A few people are trying their luck fishing from the shore, but the fish don't appear to be biting yet.

The ticks are out, and they are biting.

With the ponds open, there is much motion and sound. All kinds of waterfowl are flying in, paddling about, and dunking or diving to feed. Otters and muskrats are making their small swimming wakes across the water surface. The turtles are back sunning themselves on logs (not much movement there). And the water itself is continually moving as the winds blow across its surface. Geese and ducks are squawking and quacking. By land, the early songbirds are singing. After the stillness and quiet of winter, the movement and sound are a delight to eye and ear.

You can send news to 3taichi6@gmail.com.

Andover

By JANE RICH



Andover continued to support efforts to keep our school at the Town Meeting on

Saturday by appropriating the necessary funds to keep the school open while negotiations for withdrawal from SAD 44 continue. I'm sure there are more complete details in

weekend for a number of years.

The Knights of Pythias will again sponsor the Memorial Day remembrance of our veterans on Monday morning at 9 a.m. on the common. More complete details will appear here when available.

May also means the re-opening of the Upton Union Church for the summer months. The first service this year will be on May 19 at 5 p.m.

Last Tuesday, The People in Action Committee sponsored a free community lunch at the CEB. The next lunch will be on Tuesday, May 14, at 12 noon. The menu is chicken casserole, broccoli slaw, rolls, assorted cakes for dessert. This group is composed of people from both churches and others interested in providing meals and fellowship especially for our Senior Citizens, although, all who wish may participate.

Mason

By RICHARD GROVER



At last, the signs of spring, however slow, are making themselves apparent.

The Red Sox are playing baseball, the snow is almost gone, robins, flycatchers, mourning doves and tree swallows have returned. I spent the better part of an afternoon cleaning and repairing bird houses last week, and I'm overjoyed that a pair of bluebirds are checking out the amenities in one of them. I even built a feeder for Baltimore Orioles and hung it on a tree limb over the driveway for Mona; so far, though, only chickadees have been seen sampling the grape jelly. No orioles! I almost forgot the two huge Canada geese I saw grazing on Elsie Aylward's lawn one morning. With the snow gone, great grandson Noah is happy to be able to walk down and play in the brook again. He spends nearly every Monday with Nana and me. Noah loves to throw rocks into the water, and Shiloh loves to chase them. Both of them never seem to tire of water and rocks!

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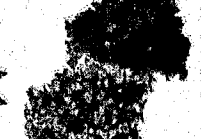
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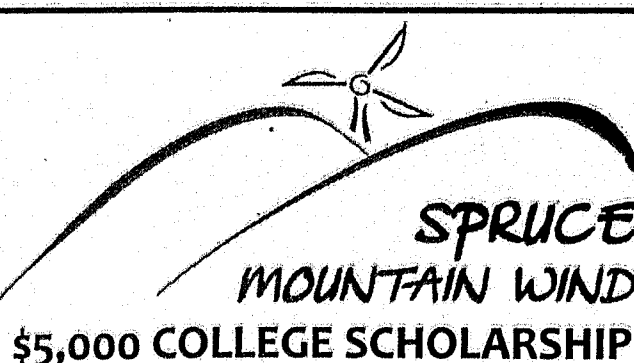
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This past Monday, Noah was standing at the edge of the water in his bright yellow rubber boots when I told him it was time to come back to the house for supper. He just had to throw one more rock. In the process, he slipped and went down on one knee so that some of the frigid water ran into his left boot! He began to whimper, and I laughed at him as I helped him to his feet. I assured him that he was okay and that getting wet was part of the fun. He quickly recovered, and later was quick to tell his mom that I laughed at him! Boys, dogs, rocks and water are always a great formula for fun!

Albany

By CATHY BENNETT



Another beautiful Sunday, although it is a little breezy. With today comes the end of a very exciting yet scary week for our country and our friends in Boston. This makes us think about our safety here in the USA. Thank goodness we have so many people to care for us and the good Lord above.

Back to school tomorrow for the last show down for this year, as fourth quarter is under way.

I have had a very fun and restful week sewing for my granddaughter, going out to eat and celebrating my youngest son, Douglas' 38th birthday with a delicious meal at Cho-Sun Sushi Bar & Grill.

Glad to say that Margaret Barton has recovered from her broken ankle and is on the go again. She visited Sarah Barton in Conway on Wednesday. Friday night she and Franklin went to the Lost Gull in Oxford for supper. Sunday Roger and Yvette Barton came over from

Brownfield for a visit with them.

I have also heard that Pam Rugg has returned from Florida for the summer.

Have a good week everyone.

Hanover

By CLEM WORCESTER



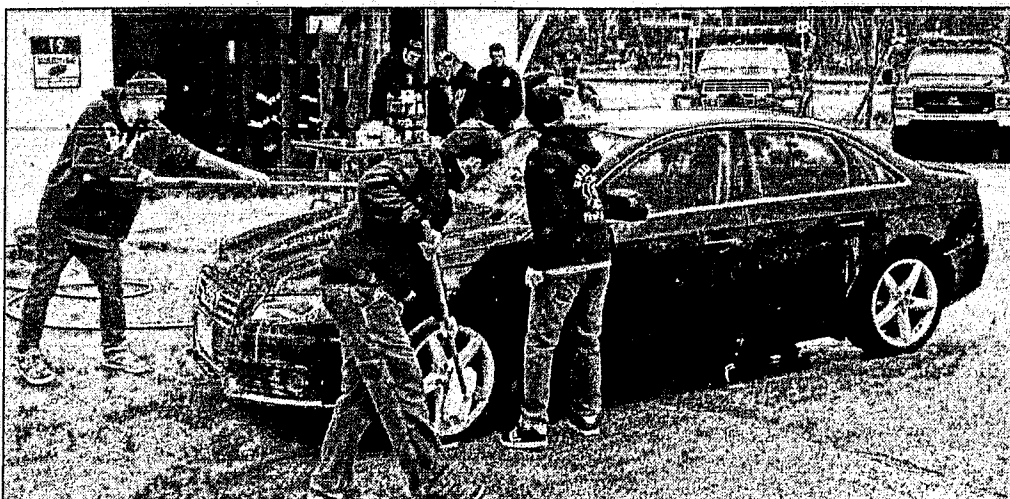
The search is on for volunteers following the resignation of Dan Force

as the Hanover representative to Regional School Unit 10. With one year gone, two years remain for Dan's three-year term. There is also a need for two Planning Board alternates and new members for the Appeals Board. The Select Board has expressed appreciation to everyone who has served on a Board or assisted Hanover in some way. Anyone interested in serving on a board should contact the Town Office and express their interest.

The Hanover Select Board met April 16 to take care of the monthly business. The Board welcomed back Frank Morrison after a leave of absence. The Board discussed the issue of winter maintenance of South Shore Road. The Board decided to have a series of workshops to study all aspects of the South Shore Road maintenance. Watch for notice of the first workshop.

The snow has mostly melted leaving behind sticks, rocks and sand. D.A. Wilson, Inc., workers have begun street sweeping activities along roads in the village area. Heavy rains Friday night helped the snow melting process and increased the water flow in streams.

Shawnee and Makala Worcester attended a birthday party for a friend last Friday. The party was set as a circus scene including real clowns, treats, games and prizes.



SHINING CARS -- TO THE RESCUE—The Greenwood Fire Department and its Junior Firemen are scrubbing, frying and (soon) baking to add another dimension of safety for users of local trails. The department has begun a campaign to raise \$2,500-\$3,000 for a four-season rescue sled. The sled, equipped with skis when snow is on the ground and wheels in warmer times, will be used to transport injured trail goers to roads, then on to whatever medical treatment is called for. Bethel has such a sled, but Greenwood, Woodstock and West Paris do not, according to GFD Chief Al Curtis. The Chief said a Greenwood sled would be available to all local towns. Here, scrubbing away at a recent car wash in Bethel are, (in front of car, from left): Mohammad Alzubaidi, Jake Marcous-Downing, and Austin Corriveau. Behind the car are Chief Al Curtis and William Curtis. In the background are Gary Sousa, Fabian Corriveau Jr., Bobbie Scottie, and Al Curtis III. Chicken barbecues are also on the way, Curtis said. For more information about upcoming events, check out the sign in front of the Locke Mills station or go to the department's Facebook page.

(Photo: M. Daniels)

By dodging between the showers everyone had the greatest of times.

The Maine Knights of Pythias Grand Lodge and Pythian Temple held their annual convention last week in Bangor. Attending from the western part of Maine were Danny and Janice Bennett and Michael Bennett of Milton TWP, Craig Turner, Donna and Clem Worcester, Hanover, and Freeman Farrington of East Andover. A special surprise award was presented to Past Grand Chancellor Freeman Farrington. Known as the Golden Knight, the award was also presented to Allen Frizzle of Bowdoinham. The Golden Knight award (for Maine members only) has been used three times since its inception. The Grand Chancellor for this year will be Michael Sanborn, Bowdoinham. The incoming Grand Chief will be Donna Gregory from Jefferson. During the legislative session it was voted to donate \$1,000 to Cabot Lodge 117 of An-

dover in support of their effort to raise funds to restore the stage curtain at Andover Town Hall.

So. Woodstock

By LOLALEE DILLINGHAM



Sorry that there has been no column for the past couple of weeks — my e-mail

program was not functioning and I was not able to send or receive any e-mails.

I had to uninstall the whole program in order for the e-mail program to work again.

So I'm hoping and praying this will reach the office desk in time for publication.

Condolences to the following families on their recent loss of a loved one—Nellie Swan, Beryl Hall, Celia Jacobson, Clifford Lowe, Mildred Dresser, and Tove L. Westleigh. Thoughts and prayers to each family member.

Congratulations to

Juanita Ford for her song writer's award recently. Juanita (Ford) and Dick Moreau entered the song "All It Takes Is One Good Woman" in the Down East Country Music Association song writer's and Recording Artists competition.

We met for band practice Wednesday in Dixfield; we worked for four hours then called it a day.

Get well wishes to all who are not feeling quite up to par, and hope to hear you are feeling much better real soon.

Many folks are out walking and we have several who walk by here every day.

The grass is greening up fast, and the tree buds are really beginning to pop.

I have set my hummingbird feeders out, seems like the bees are the only ones feeding from it right now — keep hoping to see my first little creature appear.

That's all from the valley this week, stay well, have a great weekend.

Waterford

By ROCKIE GRAHAM



It is nearing the end of April and spring has yet to warm up the earth.

Yesterday (Monday) and today (Tuesday) we have

had frosts. I know mother earth will warm up, it is just a matter of when. For now, it is cold in the morning and warmer in the mid-day. Does that mean it is good sugaring weather still? I don't know. We do not have any known Sugar Maples. I'll have to look at French Road and see. For now, no.

Went to Alan Day Garden for Earth Day this past Sunday. Great crowd, nice day, sunny, if a little cold. Had to leave early because I couldn't stand the sun for any length of time. Soon I will be off the antibiotics and able to be outside more. I did plant some snow peas last week. I hope the soil wasn't too cold. Barbara Murphy from Coop Extension said it was. Our house, of course, is colder than cold; but they were well developed and maybe they will make it.

Tonight, April 25, Mountain Poets Presents "Too Cold for the Porch" at Norway Library. Festivities begin at 7 p.m. All poets and poetry lovers are encouraged to attend. This year's reading is dedicated to member Ben Hull, who passed New Year's Eve. FMI please call 743-9808.

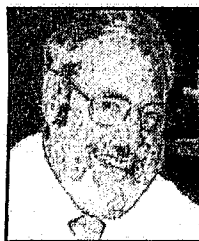
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Wednesday, May 1, will be May Day. I remember when we celebrated that as children before it became a Soviet Holiday and therefore illegal. I was hoping it would come back, but after last week, anything Russian is not popular for another long while. Last week was an eye opener of the horror that could reach us. I feel bad for the folks of Boston and all who were personally effected by that.

That is all for this week. I must warm up as it is still cold in here and almost too cold to type. Have a great week. Stay warm and stay safe. Anyone who has any news they'd like to see in this column, please call 739-9115.

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Roxbury ATV Riders meet

The Roxbury ATV Riders met on Friday, April 5, at the Roxbury Town Office at 7 p.m. President Mike Worthley opened the meeting and went over various projects the club would be doing this summer. Trails, depending on the weather, could be open by mid May. The following are upcoming rides that are posted on the club's website:

- May 4 and 5, Roadside cleanup.
- May 25, the Lee Hodgkins Memorial Poker Run. Registration will be at 8 to 10 a.m. at the Roxbury ATV Park and Ride. There will be a 50/50 raffle and the club will donate \$500 of the proceeds of this ride to the Make A Wish Foundation at the Cambridge cornfield ride held in September.
- May 27, Rumford Memorial Day Parade where wheelers join in on the parade.
- June 8 is the Alan Bodwell memorial ride. Alan, who passed away recently, was very active in our club. This ride will meet at the home of Mike and Wanda Worthley, 1162 Roxbury Notch Road, at 9 a.m. June 22, Maine children cancer mystery ride.
- June 23 is a ride up the auto road of Mt. Washington. For this day only, New Hampshire is waiving any registration fees for your wheeler. The ride is \$35 per wheeler and \$10 per person riding the wheeler. Half of the funds the auto road raises will go to maintain the auto road with the balance being donated to other charities.
- July 13 will be the Roxbury Firemen's Relief ATV Raffle Ride. More info to come on this.
- July 20 is the Annual Christmas in July Toy Ride at 10 a.m. meeting at the Andover Park and Ride.
- The last weekend of July we are looking at a ride going toward Rangeley. More info to come on this also.
- Aug. 3 is Andover Old Home Days parade and either August 3 or 4 the club will sponsor a ride for autism.
- Aug. 10 is the annual Hope Association ride. At this ride we need all atvs with seats and will need helmets. This ride is always enjoyed by participants.
- Aug. 31 is the annual Donald E. Ryerson memorial poker run. Registration from 8 to 10 a.m. at the Roxbury ATV Riders Park N Ride.
- Sept. 14 is our Club ride at the Cambridge Corn Field which benefits Make A Wish. There will be a pig roast, raffles and a night ride. If you have never participated in this event, this is an event you shouldn't miss.
- Sept. 28 is the Western Maine ATV club's Toy Ride.
- The final ride of the season is scheduled for Oct. 5, our Fall Foliage Ride and Beef Roast sponsored by the club.
- You can check the website at www.roxburyatvriderclub.com for information on these rides for times and any changes or updates.



STIFLERS DONATE \$5,000 to AIA-The Albany Improvement Association is pleased to announce the receipt of a \$5,000 donation from Larry Stifler and Mary McFadden (above), Albany homeowners and founders of the new Maine Gem and Mineral Museum in Bethel. The gift is the result of a fundraising challenge announced by Stifler and McFadden at an AIA event last August. The couple generously offered to match the organization's fund raising efforts for the remainder of the calendar year up to five thousand dollars. Through events like its October yard sale and fall fundraiser, the AIA raised just over fifty-eight hundred dollars. Bob O'Brien, the organization's president, said "We are very grateful to Larry and Mary for their generosity and to all of the people who helped us have one of the Albany Improvement Association's best fund-raising years ever." The AIA is planning several social events and a membership drive in the upcoming months, and will use a portion of its funds to have the Albany Town House painted.

were Neenie Kivus (Lewiston) and David Lock (Lewiston), third were Peter Cummings (South Paris) and Dick Allen (New Gloucester), fourth were Cindy and Bob Kirchherr (South Paris) who also were first in flight B. Finishing second in flight B were Milt McKeen (Bridgton) and Jim Krainin (Naples), third were Barbara Vanderzanden (Lovell) and Carol Curran (Waterford), fourth were Marlee Turner (Casco) and Cathy Sanderson (Waterford).

Next Friday there will be another game, same time and place, all bridge players are cordially invited. A partner is always guaranteed. For information call Les Buzzell 783-4153, or 754-9153 or e-mail buzz116@myfairpoint.net.

This week's bridge tip; when giving partner a ruff, the card you play for partner to ruff is a signal to partner as a suit preference as to the suit partner plays after ruffing to get to your hand for another ruff. As in the following – the return of a relatively high spot card in the higher of the two remaining side suits. A return of the lowest card asks for the return of the lower of the two remaining suits. A middle card is designated as TORTURE to partner! Just kidding! It actually means you have no preference and asks partner to use his/her impeccable judgment; there is no way to get back to partner's hand for another ruff.

Good luck, see you at the bridge table.

WMSC project update

The Telstar Middle School ArtReach Group has been hard at work on inter-generational projects with area seniors from Western Mountains Senior College and Bethel Senior Citizens. Some of those projects will come to fruition on Thursday, May 2, from 3 to 5 p.m. at Telstar, when WMSC will continue the celebration of its tenth anniversary year with "Bridging the Generations—or What do Your Grandparents do all day?"

The Mahoosuc Community Band comprises members from middle school age to senior citizens, according to Kathleen DeVore. A small group from the band is planning a performance at the celebration. The group will consist of mostly flutists, along with percussion and a baritone horn, playing just a few pieces, about five minutes' worth.

Steve Wight works with Telstar's Interact, a high school service organization associated with Rotary Club. They are helping the Middle School ArtReach group to organize a volunteer day in the Bethel area. The idea is to help senior citizens with yard clean-up and other home projects. Come on May 2 to sign up for services with the Bethel Senior Citizens group.

In addition to the above-mentioned projects, there will be displays of collaborative projects in art, creative writing, technology, gardening, and cooking. (There will be goodies to taste!) Other community organizations will have displays, and there will be an opportunity to become a regular member of the local food ordering group. At 3:30 there will be brief presentations and entertainment. Telstar cafeteria 3-5 on Thursday, May 2 – Hope to see you there!

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Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge results

Oxford Hills Duplicate Bridge Club met Friday 4/19/2013 in the Recreation building, King Street, Oxford, at 9:15 a.m. where a 4 and 1/2 Howell movement was enjoyed.

Finishing first in flight A were Rosemarie Goodwin (Lewiston) and Luke Merry (New Gloucester), second

Church Services

ALBANY

Congregational Church - Hunts Corner, 9:30 a.m. Sunday worship and Sunday School at 9 a.m.; Pastor Eddie Gammon. Bible Study 6:30 p.m. Thursdays at the home of Fernand Corriveau.

ANDOVER

First Congregational Church - Rev. Jane Rich. Sunday morning worship 10 to 11 a.m. followed by brunch. All welcome. FMI: 392-3761.

Calvary Bible Church - Pastor Ken Wagstaff; Morning worship 10:45 - noon. Wednesday prayer meeting, 6:30 p.m. Rt. 5, South Andover. 392-1121.

BETHEL

Bethel Alliance Church - 251 Walker's Mills Road, Rev. Kevin Bellingier, Senior Pastor & Nicholas Lutzo, Youth Pastor. Sundays: 9 a.m. Sunday School for adults and children, "Sunday Morning Live" for Middle and High School youth; 10 a.m. Worship Service (Nursery care and Children's Church are available); 4:30-6:30 p.m. Kidz Klub (4 yrs.-5th grade). Tuesdays: High School Youth Group 5-7 p.m. Thursdays: Middle School Youth Group 5-7 p.m. FMI: 207-824-2289

Bethel Church of the Nazarene - 16 Church Street, Bethel. Sunday School, 9:30 (for all ages). Pastor Peter Carter. The third Sunday of every month at 9 a.m. breakfast open to the public, no charge. Morning Worship 10:30. Wed evening 6:00 Prayer and Bible Study. FMI, transportation or prayer please contact Gerry Shimamura 824-7289 or Juanita Korhonen 665-2528.

Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, Our Lady of the Snows - 265 Walker's Mills Road (Rt. 26). Fr. Robert Vaillancourt may be reached at the parish office 364-4556. Saturday Mass, 6 p.m. Announcements. FMI: 824-2933.

West Parish Congregational - Church Street, Rev. Virginia Rickeman, Pastor. Sundays: 10 a.m. worship and Sunday School Sept.-May. Nursery and child care provided. Tuesdays: 8 a.m., informal Prayer Group with coffee in the Chapel. All are welcome. First Wednesday of the month: 8 a.m., Mens' Breakfast Group. Entrance in rear of church. All events open to everyone. This is an open and affirming congregation. FMI: 824-2689; 824-0550.

United Methodist - Main Street - Pastor Carol Stevens. Sunday worship 9 a.m. Bible Study 1:30 p.m. on Wednesdays at Sudbury Village, Apt. 15. FMI: 824-0797.

West Bethel Union - Rev. John Williams. Morning worship and 9 a.m. Sunday School. FMI: 836-3533 or 836-2882.

Pleasant Valley Bible Pastor Dave Fraher. Sunday Services: Sunday School, 9 a.m.; Worship Service, 10 a.m.. Ladies Bible study Tuesday, 2:30 p.m. Midweek Bible study and prayer, Wednesday 6 p.m. Awana Club Fridays 3:30-5 p.m. (Cubbies ages 3/4; Sparks Grades K-2; children may take bus from school). Monthly Youth Group meetings and Grades 3 - high school. FMI: 836-2828.

Church of Christ - at home of Keith Hamel, minister, 507 Walker's Mills Road (Route 26), Bethel. Sunday: Bible class, 9 a.m.; Worship Service 10 a.m. Wednesday: Bible study, 7 p.m. FMI: 824-3577.

Seventh Day Adventist Fellowship: Meets at the Nazarene Church on Saturdays, on Church Street in Bethel. Sabbath School 9:30 a.m.; Worship, 11 a.m. FMI: 357-7814.

EAST STONEHAM

Oxford County United Parish Churches in Stoneham and North Waterford - Services at 10 a.m. at the North Waterford Congregational Church (UCC), located on the Five Kezars Road, off Routes 35 & 37, opposite Melby's Market. (North Waterford and East Stoneham Congregational Churches will hold their joint services in the church on Route 5 in East Stoneham during May.) Services held at North Waterford through the winter months. Choir practice 9 a.m., followed by Bible Study at 9:15 a.m.

LOCKE MILLS

Locke Mills Union - Pastor Sandra Withey. Sunday Morning Service and Sunday School, 9 - 10 a.m. Bible study at the church is every Tuesday at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome. 875-3355

NORWAY/PARIS

First Church of Christ, Scientist - Sunday service 10 a.m., Wed. Testimony service 7:30 p.m. 5 Morrill Rd/Rt. 118 (catercorner to Norway Country Club), Norway. Call 824.4099 FMI or ride.

Trinity Lutheran Church - Route 117, S. Paris. Pastor Ray Mitchell. Sunday morning service 9 a.m. (summer) with coffee, refreshments and good fellowship. Bible Study, Wednesdays 7 p.m.

North Paris Federation - Morse Hill Road, North Paris. Sunday Service 8 a.m.. Singspiration third Sunday each month alternating with West Paris Baptist Church at 7 p.m. FMI: 689-8000

Oxford Hills Friends (Quakers) - Sunday worship 9:30 a.m. at HOPE Ripley Center, High Street, S. Paris across the park from the Post Office. FMI: call Ursula Brandon at 665-2880 or Sue Reilly at 966-2012

Christ Episcopal Church - 35 Paris St., Norway. Sunday services: 8 a.m. and 10 a.m., (July and Aug. 9 a.m.) Holy Eucharist. 743-6782; e-mail christch@megalink.net.

First Baptist Church of Paris - On the Common at the top of Paris Hill. 10:30 a.m. worship service. Sunday School at 9:30 a.m. Coffee hour follows the service. Fellowship lunch held the first Sunday of each month following worship. Pastor Ron Blake. FMI 743-2491.

St. Catherine's - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass; Sunday 8:30 a.m. Mass. FMI 743-2606.

Unitarian Universalist Church of Norway - 11 a.m. worship. (Sept - June). Child care is provided. Religious education classes 11 a.m.-12:15 p.m. FMI 743-2828.

GORHAM, N.H.

Assembly of God - Pastor Paul LeVigen. Sunday School 9:30 a.m., Sunday service 10:30 a.m., Sunday evening service 7 p.m., Wednesday Bible Study 7 p.m.. FMI: 603-466-2851.

Gorham Congregational Church - Sunday morning worship, 10 a.m. All welcome; free coffee. Communion is celebrated the first Sunday of each month. FMI: 603-466-2136.

OXFORD

St. Mary's - Saturday 4 p.m. Vigile Mass, 276 King St. Oxford. **Our Lady of Ransom**: Sunday 10:30 a.m. Mass.

RUMFORD

St. Barnabas Episcopal Church - Holy Eucharist, 9:30 a.m. Rev. Tim Parsons, Priest-in-charge. Special holidays will be announced. Stone church at the

rotary. 364-2193.

Roman Catholic Church of the Holy Savior, St. Athanasius and St. John - 125 Main Ave.. The Rev. Philip Tracy. Saturday Mass, 4 p.m.; Sunday Mass, 9:30 a.m.; Weekday Mass, 8 a.m. Office 364-4556.

Praise Assembly of God - Pastor Justin Thacker. 89 Congress St. Adult and teen Sunday school 9 a.m. Sunday worship service at 10 a.m. and 6 p.m. Wednesday night Bible study 6:45 p.m. FMI: 364-3856.

RUMFORD POINT

Rumford Point Church - Sunday service, 8:30 a.m., followed by coffee and refreshments.

SUMNER

East Sumner Congregational - Linda Kimball, pastor. Sunday service, 9 a.m. 207-388-2610.

WEST PARIS

First Universalist Church - Sunday services, 9 a.m., Sept. to June. 207-674-2365.

West Paris Baptist - 15 Church St. Sunday Worship 9:45 a.m.; Sunday School- 11 a.m.; Word of Life Youth- 6 p.m.; Word of Life Olympians (kids club) -6 p.m.; Wednesday Bible Study-7 p.m.; Ladies' ministry, food pantry, third Saturday of month. Pastor Scott Randolph, 376-6854.

Mission Congregational Church - Wallace Farnum, pastor. Sunday Worship 8:30 a.m.

WOODSTOCK

Bryant Pond Baptist - Pastor Matt Jones, Sundays: Sunday School 9:15 a.m.; Morning Worship 10:30 a.m.; Evening Service 6 p.m.; Wednesdays: Prayer Meeting 6:30 p.m.

Woodstock Seventh day Adventist - Pastor Greg Carlson 207-527-2551, Saturday: 9:20 a.m. Sabbath school. 11 a.m. worship service.

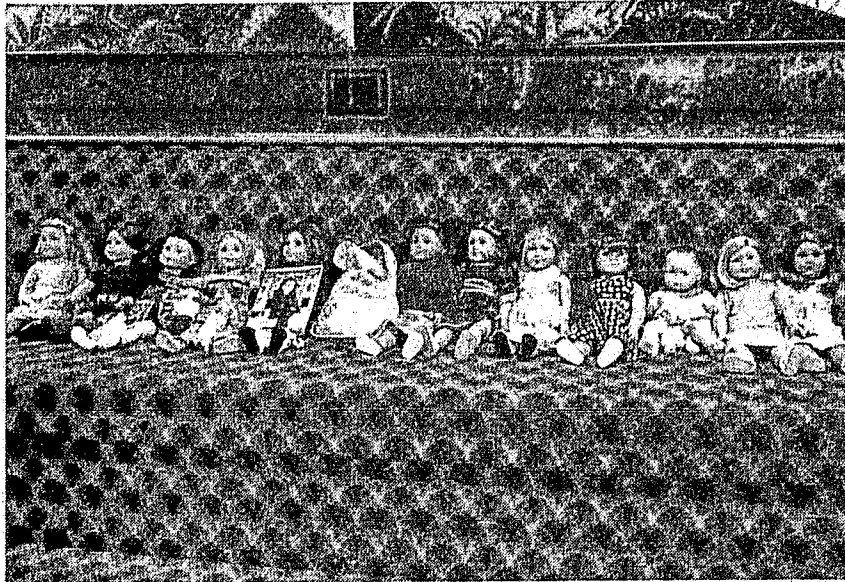
Pinhook Meeting House (Rt. 232, North Woodstock) - Hymn Sing, last Friday of each month, 7 p.m. All welcome.

Mahoosuc Mountain Friends - a worship group meeting in the unprogrammed tradition of Friends (Quakers) - Sundays, 9:30 a.m. at the Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Newcomers welcome. FMI: 824-8669.

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CRESCENT PARK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

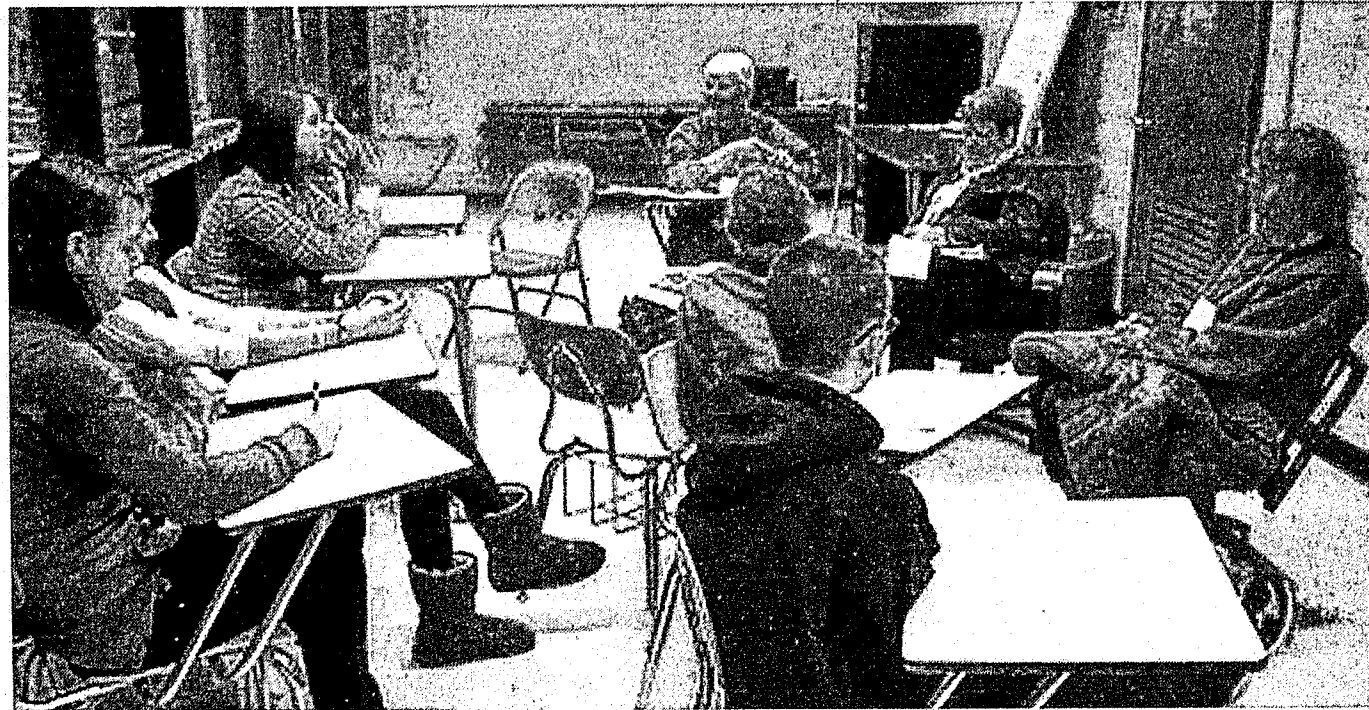


Third graders at Crescent Park School who read five or more American Girl books and wrote summaries were invited to a tea party (far left) hosted by our librarian, Betsy Raymond. Left, doll tea party collection.

TELSTAR MIDDLE/HIGH SCHOOL



Rayanne Morin, who is working at Northeast Bank as a teller. Northeast Bank and Telstar High School to Work program continue their ongoing partnership.



Members of the Western Mountains Senior College and the Bethel Senior Citizens group meet with Melissa Prescott's ArtReach class at Telstar Middle School. They are planning menus and cooking activities in preparation for a celebration of seniors and collaborative inter-generational projects in our community. This "Bridging the Generations" event will be on May 2, 3-5 at Telstar; the public is invited.

ANDOVER ELEMENTARY



Family Math Night at Andover Elementary was a huge success. Several families enjoyed spending time together, playing games that centered around math concepts, while enjoying popcorn and punch. Each participant was sent home with a goody bag filled with school supplies of their choice along with two larger items such as a math bingo game, calculator, journal, or notebook. There were many smiling faces throughout the night. Seen here is Ann Costa with grandson Conor enjoying a game of Monopoly.

WOODSTOCK ELEMENTARY



On Saturday April 13th Community Concepts, inc Family Services Department partnered the Oxford County Sheriff's Department, Safe Voices, Woodstock PTA and Paris PTO to support Anti-Bullying and promote, "being a buddy". Spiderman sent his message "Be a Buddy, Not a Bully" to nearly 200 parents and children at the Woodstock Elementary School and Paris Elementary School. After the presentation the children had an opportunity to meet Spiderman and have him autograph posters, shirts, and hand colored Spiderman pictures. Shown here are, from left: Jolene Littlehale, Officer Christina McAllister, Spiderman, Melissa Wakefield, Diane Gallagher. A special thank you to the Oxford County Sheriff's Department and Safe Voices for their support and the members of both the PTA and PTO.



First graders demonstrate their knowledge about geometry with some creative projects. The children received many compliments from family, friends, and staff at the recent WES Curriculum Fair.

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Community Calendar

April 25 to May 1

9 a.m. to 5 p.m. - **Alpha & Omega Ministries Massive Yard Sale**, 527 Park Street, South Paris. Furniture, electronics, appliances, and more. FMI: Bert Rugg (515-3000) or Janice Davis (744-0204).

Thursday, April 25

8 a.m. to 12 noon - **Distracted Driving Workshop**, Telstar Middle/High School. Students in grades 6-12 will go through a series of stations including seatbelts, beer goggles, text simulator, choose your ride, field sobriety test, and backboards and ambulances. Bethel Rescue, Bethel Fire Dept., Maine State Police, Oxford County EMA, and the Oxford County Sheriff's Office are collaborating to make this a fun and informative day for all.

3:30 to 7:00 p.m. - **Parent Teacher Conferences**, Crescent Park School.

7 p.m. - **Mountain Poet Society's Annual "Too Cold for the Porch" Event**, Norway Library, Ben Hull (1941-2012) was a beloved Norway resident and poet. His poetry will be celebrated and shared by the Mountain Poet Society. Everyone is welcome.

Friday, April 26

5 to 8 p.m. - **The Local Food Connection "A Spring Freshet"** annual meeting and potluck, Bryant Pond 4-H Center. This event is open to the public and the Local Food Connection is inviting all community members, school faculty and administration, and town officials. RSVP: Amy Scott (aefscott@gmail.com).

6 to 8 p.m. - **Fawn and Noel's Music for Hope Dance**, 85 Lincoln Avenue, Rumford. Refreshments for sale. Open to the public. Donations accepted. Proceeds to benefit the Hope Association.

6:30 p.m. - **Upton Planning Board Meeting**, Upton Town Office. Workshop at 6:30, building application review at 7.

Saturday, April 27

9 a.m. to 1 p.m. - **SMILE Fund Sale**. Yard sale in the basement of West Parish Congregational Church, Bethel. Proceeds benefit the adult dental program. Donated items will be accepted during the week prior to the sale.

9 a.m. - **First Annual Teal Ribbon 5k Run/Walk**, Roberts Frost Preserve, Norway. Sponsored by REACH, Sexual Assault Prevention and Response Services. Registration: \$25/individual, \$50/family. All ages invited to participate. Water will be served along the course with snacks and prizes to be given at the end. FMI/Registration: Visit <http://sapars.org/teal-ribbon-run-reg.html>, call Lauren Dembski (743-0777), or stop in at the REACH office, 1 East Main Street, South Paris.

10 a.m. to 2 p.m. - **Prescription Drug Take-Back**, Oxford County Sheriff's Offices, Bethel and South Paris. Drop off unused, unwanted or expired prescription drugs for disposal. Anonymous. Confidential. No questions asked. Medications will be turned over to the DEA to be incinerated.

10 a.m. - **Biennial Pine Tree Piano Festival of the Maine Music Teachers Association**, Gould Academy, 39 Church Street, Bethel. Middle school-level competition will be in the McLaughlin Science Center Auditorium. Elementary and senior-level competitions as well as afternoon awards and winner's recital will be at Bingham Auditorium. Free and open to the public. FMI: www.mainemusicteachers.org.

5 and 6 p.m. - **Andover Birthday Supper**. Each table will be decorated for a specific month of the year. Tickets: \$7/adults, \$4/children under 12. Menu includes turkey, ham, assorted vegetables, rolls, and birthday cake.

5 to 7 p.m. - **Spaghetti Supper Fundraiser for McCaella Prentice**, Woodstock Elementary School. \$7/adults, \$4/children. All proceeds will go to help send McCaella Prentice to USA Hockey National Player Development Goalie Camp at Ohio's Kent State University. Donations or baked goods can be sent to Woodstock Elementary by Friday, April 26.

5:30 p.m. - **"Spring Fling" Old Fashioned Barn Dance**, Mahoosuc Mountain Lodge, North Newry. Bring a dish to share for the potluck dinner at 5:30. Concert at 7. Dancing begins at 8. Dough Prostik and Sharon Pyne will be playing and calling/teaching contra, circle, and square dances as well as polkas, waltzes, schottisches, and foxtrots. \$10/person, children under 13 half-price. 50/50 raffle. Accommodations and camping available onsite. FMI: 824-2073.

7 to 10 p.m. - **Jones Dance Band**, South Paris Legion Hall, Church Street. Old fashioned dance music. Admission: \$5.

Tuesday, April 30

5:30 to 7:30 p.m. - **TMS Title One Night**, Telstar Auditorium, cafeteria, hallways and library.

Wednesday, May 1

5:30 to 7:30 p.m. - **Look Good, Feel Better**, Stephens Memorial Training Center, 199 Main Street, Norway. The American Cancer Society is partnering with Stephens Memorial Hospital to offer this program to area cancer patients. Participants will receive a complimentary cosmetic kit. Trained volunteer cosmetologists will show participants how use the cosmetics as well as wigs, scarves, and other accessories to conceal hair loss. FMI/Registration: 744-6173.

Thursday, May 2

3 to 5 p.m. - **Bridging the Generations**, Telstar. Western Mountains Senior College, the Bethel Senior Citizens group, and Telstar Middle School's ArtReach class join

together for a celebration of seniors and collaborative intergenerational projects in our community. This event is open to the public.

Thursdays, May 2, 9, and 16

Nordic Walking with Kathleen Carroll and Carol Emery, 5 to 5:45 p.m. at Hosmer Field in Rumford and 6:30 to 7:15 p.m. at Akers Ski Walk in Andover. Bring your Nordic Walking Poles or call to reserve free demo poles for the night. You can also choose to rent poles for \$10 per week and receive \$30 off the purchase price at the end of three weeks. FMI/Pole rentals: 364-7408.

Friday, May 3

6:30 p.m. - **Hunts Corner Cemetery Association Meeting** at Edna York's home, 1154 Hunts Corner Road. FMI: Betty Gingras (824-3408).

Saturday, May 4

8:30 to 10 a.m. - **Infant CPR Class**, Ripley Medical Building's Harper Conference Center, 193 Main Street, Norway. Learn the skills to do CPR and choking rescue on an infant up to the age of one year. This is a hands-on experience where you will have an opportunity to practice these skills.

9:30 a.m. - **2nd Annual Lyme Disease Awareness Conference**, Mt. Valley Middle School, 58 Highland Terrace, Mexico. Presentations by Elaine Katz, Amy Gillis and Charly Weir, and Cindy Touchette. A \$5 donation at the door is appreciated, but not mandatory. FMI: Diane (357-1926), Rhonda (826-3076), or e-mail myvalleydac@yahoo.com.

7 p.m. - **Mock Hee-Haw Show**, Franklin Grange 124, Main Street, Bryant Pond. Refreshments on sale. Door prizes. Admission: \$6. Proceeds benefit the Franklin Grange building fund. See you all there!

Sunday, May 5

4 p.m. - **Mahoosuc Community Band Spring Concert**, West Parish Congregational Church UCC, Bethel. Donations accepted to support the band's activities. Refreshments following the concert.

Monday, May 6

12 to 5 p.m. - **American Red Cross Blood Drive**, Telstar High School gymnasium. The blood drive is open to all adults. Minors 16 and over may participate with written parental consent. FMI/appointments: 1-800-RED-CROSS.

6:30 to 8:30 - **Socrates Café Meeting**, Waterford Library. Topic for May: "Alienation: How connected do people feel to society?" The moderator will be Ed Wood. The group offers a forum to discuss current topics and ideas in a warm, friendly atmosphere. Coffee and light refreshments will be served. FMI: 583-6957 or wla@waterford.lib.me.us.

Tuesday, May 7

5 to 8 p.m. - **Farewell Party for Joe and Lynn Arizzi**, Roosters Roadhouse Restaurant. Appetizer Buffet: \$15 (tax and tip included) payable at door. Cash bar available. Expect an evening of fun and surprises with Senior College Players planning the event. Open to the public. RSVP: Roberta Taylor at 890-2595 or rmt@megalink.net or Rosabelle Tift at 824-2053 or rmttiff@megalink.net.

6:30 p.m. - **Project Graduation Meeting**, Bethel Town Office. Assistance is needed in fundraising for Telstar's Project Graduation.

Wednesday, May 8

9 a.m. to 12 p.m. - **SeniorsPlus, Area Agency on Aging**, West Paris Library. SeniorsPlus will be on hand to answer any questions or concerns you may have. All events are free and open to the public. FMI/appointments: 1-800-427-1241.

Thursday, May 9

2 p.m. - **Summer Riding Program Overview**, Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Dianne Ward of Deep Wood farm will be giving a general overview of her summer riding programs. She gives private and group lessons to all ages and abilities. Deep Wood Farm has public trail rides and weekend camping with the horses. This program is open to the public at no charge. Light refreshments will be served.

2 to 4 p.m. - **Advance Directives: Let Your Loved Ones Know What You Want if You Can't Tell Them**, Rumford Hospital, Conference Room A. Registered nurse, Lisa Caillier will discuss advance directives and explain their importance in directing end of life care. She will review various decisions and options available. FMI: 369-1151.

6:30 to 8:30 p.m. - **Breastfeeding Class for New and Experienced Mothers**, Ripley Medical Building's Harper Conference Center, 193 Main Street, Norway.

Saturday, May 11

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. - **Anything Goes Spring Craft Fair and Indoor Lawn Sale**, Hope Association, 85 Lincoln Avenue, Rumford. Proceeds to benefit the Hope Association's Special Olympics program. Raffles, Chinese Auction, jewelry, cookie walk, crafts, food, face painting, and more. FMI: 364-4561.

1 p.m. - **Oxford Hills Honey Bee Club Workshop**, Oxford County Extension Center, 9 Olson Road, South Paris. Weather permitting, lifetime bee keeper, Ken Record, will demonstrate splitting bees and getting nucs ready. Open to the public. FMI: John (743-5009) or Kevin (farrout@roadrunner.com).

Tuesday, May 14

12 p.m. - **People in Action Free Community Lunch**, Andover CEB. The menu is chicken casserole, broccoli slaw, rolls, and assorted cakes.

7 p.m. - **Telstar Middle/High School Spring Concert**, Telstar Auditorium. Performances by Telstar's middle and high school choruses and bands.

Wednesday, May 15

1 p.m. to 4 p.m. - **SeniorsPlus, Area Agency on Aging**, Norway Town Hall. SeniorsPlus will be on hand to answer any questions or concerns you may have. All events are free and open to the public. FMI/appointments: 1-800-427-1241.

Thursday, May 16

8 a.m. to 3 p.m. - **Kindergarten Registration/Screening**, Woodstock Elementary School.

2 p.m. - **Black Bears: Dispelling the Myths for Peaceful Coexistence**, Whitman Memorial Library, Bryant Pond. Sarah Wright will be presenting a PowerPoint Program. This is an educational program for all: hunters and non-hunters, old and young. The program is open to the public at no charge. Light refreshments will be served.

5 to 8 p.m. - **Telstar Middle/High School Art Show**, Telstar's cafeteria, hallways, and auditorium.

May 17, 18, 19

Home Garden Flower Show, Fryeburg Fairgrounds. Businesses showcasing home, energy and garden related products plus an additional five acres of outdoor garden related displays, garden centers selling zone hardy perennials, annuals, vegetable seedlings. Garden artists, guest speakers, lots of kids' activities, fair food, cooking classes and more. Admission \$9. Children 10 and under free. FMI visit www.homegardenflowershow.com or call 1-800-359-2033.

May 18, 19

8 a.m. Saturday to 4 p.m. Sunday - **Wilderness First Aid Course**, Mahoosuc Mountain Lodge. This 16 hour course focuses on response and assessment, musculoskeletal injuries, environmental emergencies, survival skills, soft tissue injuries, and medical emergencies. Cost: \$180-\$299, depending on whether meals and accommodations are needed. FMI: Polly or Kevin (info@mahoosuc.com) or (824-2073).

Saturday, May 18

7 a.m. - **Upton Historical Society's Clean-up Day**. The crew will meet at the Upton school and carpool to the Forest Lodge for clean-up.

9 a.m. to 2 p.m. - **VFW Post 9787 Indoor Yard Sale**, Lower Main Street, South Paris. Table Reservations: \$10 each. FMI: Marilyn Ramsay (743-5723).

May 18, 19, 20

Wilderness First Responder Refresher Course, Mahoosuc Mountain Lodge. Cost: \$195-\$299, depending on whether meals and accommodations are required. FMI: Polly or Kevin (info@mahoosuc.com) or (824-2073).

Sunday, May 19

1 p.m. - **Upton Historical Society Meeting**, Upton School.

Tuesday, May 21

12 to 3:30 p.m. - **Kindergarten Registration**, Agnes Gray School, West Paris. If your child will be five before Oct. 15, 2013, and is planning on attending kindergarten for the 2013/2014 school year, please call 674-2332. For registration, parents will need to bring a copy of the child's birth certificate, an immunization record, and a copy of a recent physical examination.

May 22 to May 29

9 a.m. to 5 p.m. - **Alpha & Omega Ministries Massive Yard Sale**, 527 Park Street, South Paris. Furniture, electronics, appliances, and more. FMI: Bert Rugg (515-3000) or Janice Davis (744-0204).

Wednesday, May 22

9 a.m. to 12 p.m. - **SeniorsPlus, Area Agency on Aging**, Rumford Town Office. SeniorsPlus will be on hand to answer any questions or concerns you may have. All events are free and open to the public. FMI/appointments: 1-800-427-1241.

Saturday, May 25

9 a.m. to 5 p.m. - **Bethel Historical Society's St. Never's Day Sale**, 18 Broad Street. Donations for the sale may be left on the back porch of the Society's Robinson House at 10 Broad Street or on Stan Howe's side porch at 18 Broad Street. Housewares, tools, furniture, etc. are being sought for the sale. Please, no clothes, tires, or obsolete computer equipment. Any support (items and/or volunteer assistance) that can be provided for this longtime community event will be greatly appreciated.

Saturday, July 6

Bethel Art Fair, Bethel Town Common. Visit the historic Bethel Common to enjoy live music, fine fare, and the unique offerings of more than 70 artists and artisans exhibiting oil, pastel, watercolor, pen-and-ink, and multimedia works, plus photography, woodworking, metal-smithing, jewelry, beadwork, stained glass, pottery, and more. FMI: 824-2575 or mahoosucarts.org.

SUPPORT SERVICES

SAFE VOICES

Safe Voices serves all of Oxford County and provides emergency shelter, court advocacy and support groups with child care. Rumford office 369-0750; Norway office 743-5806; 24 hour hotline 1-800-559-2927

REACH

Rape Education and Crisis Hotline 1-800-871-7741. Sexual assault/sexual abuse hotline, same number. Support groups and awareness education, past or present victims of abuse.

AA MEETINGS/ADDICTION HELP

Bethel Freedom Group. Open Discussion Meeting, Saturdays at 4:30 in the Snow Cap Inn conference room, next to the fitness room. Sunday River. Seasonal, Thanksgiving through April 1. Big Book Meeting Sundays at 6 p.m. at the United Methodist Church, Main Street. 12 Step/Traditions Meeting Tuesdays at 6pm at the United Methodist Church, Main Street. Open Discussion Meeting Fridays at 6 pm at Bethel United Methodist Church, Main Street.

People in recovery from alcohol/drug addiction may need to move to a Next Step group. Open to everyone who feels they may benefit from a change. FMI: Laurence Austin at 824-4077 (calls confidential)

Adult Children of Alcoholics and Dysfunctional Families (ACOA or ACA) meeting at Waterford Library (Route 37 across from the Commons) Thursdays, 10 to 11 a.m. All welcome. FMI call 739-9115.

CANCER WELLNESS

Support and Education for cancer patients, survivors and caregivers. Every Thursday, 1:30-3 p.m. Rumford Hospital, Room 357. (877) 336-7287. Call to confirm in stormy weather.

EXCHANGES/PANTRIES

Clothing Exchange, Bethel Park, 23 Mason Street, Bethel. Hours: Monday 1 to 4, Thursday 4 to 6, Saturday, 10 to 12 a.m. Donations of gently-used clothing only accepted during open hours. No exceptions. 824-4090. Clothing may also be dropped off at Northeast Bank on Main Street.

Food Pantry, Nazarene Church, Park Street, Bethel. By appointment only (824-0369).

HELP FOR THE HOMELESS

Rumford Group Homes, Inc. operates three homeless shelters, a transitional living program for youth 18-21, homeless youth outreach and case management services for adults and children. Emergency shelter includes the South Paris Men's Shelter, the Norway Family Center for women and children in crisis, and our Rumford Family Center in Rumford for families. To make a referral or request help in the South Paris area, call 743-6363 or call 369-9439 for help in the Rumford area M-F 9 a.m.-5 p.m. For more information on Rumford Group Homes, Inc. call 364-3551 or visit www.rumfordgrouphomes.org.

MENTAL ILLNESS

Beacon House Social Club, 150 Congress Street, Rumford, a drop-in social club for adults suffering with mental, emotional,

or physical illness, provides support, relaxation, and socialization. Monday 1 to 5 p.m.; Tuesday 9 a.m.-2 p.m.; Wednesday 9 a.m.-8 p.m.; Wednesday 3-8 p.m.; Friday 2-7 p.m.; Saturday 11 a.m.-4 p.m. Oxford County Mental Health Services, support for adults and children with mental illness, same location, second floor, open Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-4 p.m. For more information, call 364-3549 or (800) 335-9999, or in off-hours 928-3222.

VETERANS' SERVICES

Maine Veterans Home, S. Paris, Veterans' Advocate visits first and third Wednesday each month, 9-12 noon (743-6300); Rumford 9-12 noon second Thursday; VA Clinic at 431 Franklin St. (369-3272). Maine Veterans' Services is located at 29 Westminster St., Lewiston (783-5306). (No visits in July)

MULTIPLE SERVICES

Community Concepts provides Oxford County Head Start, childcare, free rides to Maine Care appointments, subsidized apartments (Bethel, Brownfield, Fryeburg, Norway, Rumford, South Paris), affordable home-ownership opportunities, homeless shelter and assistance with home heating or weatherizing. FMI: call (800) 866-5588 or visit www.community-concepts.org.

ALZHEIMER'S SUPPORT

An Alzheimer's Support Group meets on the second Wednesday of every month from 6PM to 7:30PM at the Rumford Community Home located at 11 John F. Kennedy Lane. All are welcome. For more information call Sue Ellen Richardson, Social Service Director or Terry Drury, Residential Director at 364-7883.

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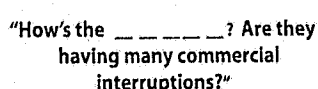
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by Helene
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Study the two words on each line to find the ONE letter in the left column that is NOT in the word in the right column. Write the extra letter on the blank space. Then read **DOWN** to answer this riddle:

CARPET	___	TRACE	SINGER	___	RINSE
FOREST	___	FROST	PILOTS	___	SPLIT
SABLES	___	BLESS	BASKET	___	TAKES
CHORUS	___	HOURS	BARGED	___	GRADE
ARCHED	___	CARED	BERLIN	___	BRINE
			ORANGE	___	ORGAN
			BARREL	___	BLARE

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Unscramble the letters within each rectangle to form four ordinary words. Then rearrange the boxed letters to form the mystery word, which will complete the gag!

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Brainy

MARTS _____  _____

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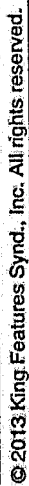
TRIDOR _____  _____

Basic

PANIL _____ 

SWITCH UNITS

ACROSS	57 NHL trophy, enlarged?	101 Walk around looking for work, reduced?	10 Blue	53 Fix, as a loose board	88 Raised a din
1 Requests at bar doors	62 Flight part	11 Dr. provider	11 Dr. provider	89 "Mother" of Calcutta	90 "Mother" of Calcutta
8 Liquid-filled vessel in which to clean things	63 Airport transport	12 La _____ (city in Bolivia)	12 La _____ (city in Bolivia)	54 They blink	92 Mad feeling
15 Map source	66 Tiny lot	108 In proportion	13 "Follow Me _____" (Kipling poem)	56 Swims with the fishes, maybe	93 Big name
20 Smears with animal fat	67 ROTC grads	109 Thumbs-down	14 Final bowing in frames	58 A couple of runners at the corners, in baseball	94 "Truly"
21 Dish of soybeans boiled in their pods	68 Alternate title of this puzzle	110 See 101-Down	15 Bit of hijinks	59 _____ Lingus	95 Cato's
22 Horse sound	73 Exce's deg.	116 White wader	16 Zipper parts	60 Sci-fi skipper	96 100-yr. span
23 Most valuable Scrabble square, reduced?	74 With 44-Down, Kenobi of sci-fi	117 Skeptically, enlarged?	17 Limber	61 Singer Lisa	97 Halfy sitcom cousin
25 Fish store favorite	77 Cloverleaf components	123 "The Cloister and the Hearth"	18 Feel similarly	64 Limp as _____	98 Liquefied
26 Peter of firm	80 Failure to act promptly, enlarged?	124 "Free Your Mind" R&B group	19 "Jaws" peril	65 Icy hazard	101 With 110-
27 Dress edge	84 Now-rare skill	125 Nation next to Georgia	20 Snicker bit	69 Lith, and	Across, where divas deliver
28 To that place	86 Frequent downhiller's purchase	126 Earnestness	31 One-eighty	70 Ukr., once	102 Prodding person
30 Impersonal little kiss, enlarged?	87 Role-play	127 Wanted	32 "_____-di-dah!"	72 Infants' toy	103 Santa-tracking org.
36 Celebs' rides	90 _____ Butter (Nabisco cookie)	128 It has three-pointed antlers	33 Western	73 Hit 1980s computer game	104 Belief set
41 Summer, in Québec	91 Razz	DOWN	Amerind	74 Scorch	105 One
42 Military order	92 Harvard or Yale, reduced?	1 "Tell _____ the judge!"	34 Opposite of old, in Bonn	78 Spaghetti sauce brand	112 Not new
43 Very quickly, enlarged?	93 Harvard or Yale, reduced?	2 Flit	35 La Brea stuff	79 Bug causing a sore throat	113 Lucid
46 "Casino" co-star Joe Williams of tennis	97 Post-failure comment	3 Ad biz award	36 Talks like the cat Sylvester	81 They result in two outs: Abbr.	114 Author
52 Dog, often	99 "_____" ready?"	4 Fido's food	37 Not reactive	82 "Lost" actor Daniel _____	115 Macy's logo
53 Time-stamps anew	100 Writer with morals	5 Drum effect	38 2000 #1 hit for Santana	83 Moo goo _____ pan	118 Suffix with Carol
55 Jails		6 Uncool sort	39 Infant's bodysuit	84 Scorch	119 Telford
		7 Dallas-to-Laredo dir.	40 Spanish lady	85 They result in two outs: Abbr.	120 _____ polloi
		8 Visitors' first words	41 See 76-Across	86 "Lost" actor Daniel _____	121 Farming sci.
		9 "_____" to the list	42 "At once!"	87 They result in two outs: Abbr.	122 Taint
			43 "_____" de vie	88 "Lost" actor Daniel _____	
			44 Deadlocks	89 "Moo goo _____ pan"	
			45 Official doc.	90 Artist Yoko	
			50 Cause adherents		



**BY
HENRY BOLTINOFF**

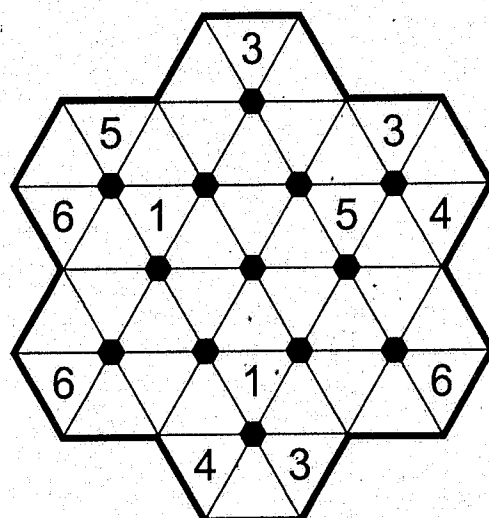
Differences:
1. Doll is missing. 2. Bow is smaller. 3. Swing seat is smaller.
4. Pole is missing. 5. Neckline is different. 6. Tree step is moved.

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by Japheth Light

There are 13 black hexagons in the puzzle. Place the number 1-6 around each of them.

No number can be repeated in any partial hexagon shape along the border of the puzzle.



DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ♦♦

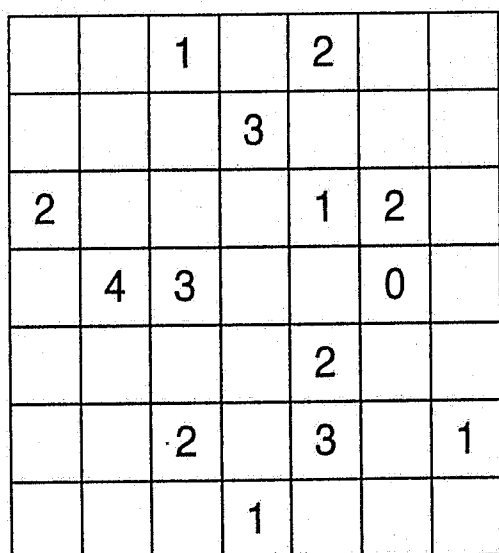
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By Linda Thistle

Draw a star in exactly 10 of the empty squares in the diagram so that each numbered square accurately indicates how many immediately adjacent squares (horizontally, vertically or diagonally) contain a star.



DIFFICULTY: ★ ★ ★

★Easy ★★Moderate ★★★YOWZA!

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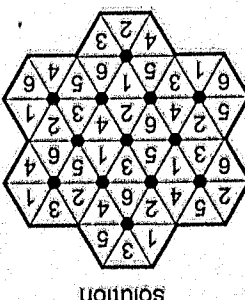


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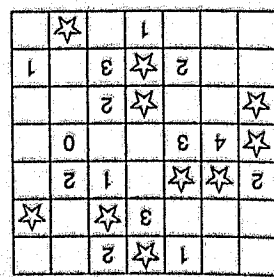
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ORGAN	E	ORANGE
BLARE	R	BARREL



SNOWFLAKES



Star★Map

ANSWERS:

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Alpha & Omega Ministries

Bert Rugg and Alpha & Omega Ministries Inc./Alpha & Omega Thrift Shop have moved to their new location at 527 Park Street, South Paris (just three miles out of South Paris Square going north on Route 26, on the right two miles from Doe's. At the same time we are promoting a 30 percent off almost everything in our Thrift Shop. Expanded days and hours, Closed Mondays, open Tuesday-Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m., Sunday 1 to 5 p.m. Call Bert and arrange other hours for customer service.

We are having our first Massive Yard Sale scheduled for Wednesday, April 24-Wednesday, May 1. 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. We support local charities and are also involved with foreign missions work.

Sports

High School Girls' J.V. Softball

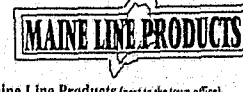
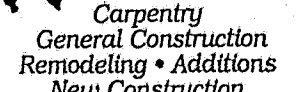
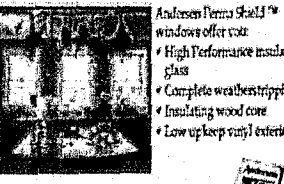
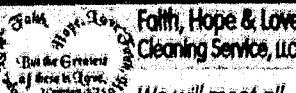
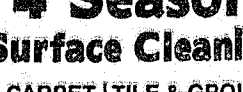
Telstar 14, Buckfield 6; April 23 - The Telstar JV Softball Team opened their season at home with a victory over Buckfield on a cold, windy day at Telstar. Olivia York went the distance on the mound in her high school debut, giving up 6 runs on 4 hits, allowing 8 walks, and 12 strike-outs. Becca Howard, Olivia York, and Hayley Peterson each had three hits in the game, including back-to-back homeruns by Howard and York. Vanessa Godwin had a huge double and single, 2 hits for Ana Harren, and one hit each for Maddie Prentice, Bri Vitale, Emily Philbrick, Aislinn Forbes, and Jillian DeLallo. The team came up and made plays when they

needed to, and battled the cold and breezy conditions for their first game. "I am very pleased with how everyone contributed to the win." - Coach Mark Kenney.

High School Girls' Varsity Softball

Telstar 5, Wiscasset 2; April 22 - Telstar opened with a win over Wiscasset on Monday. Jessica Dirago earned the win with a 2-hit, 12-strike-out performance. Jessica also had two doubles and drove in three runs for the Rebels, Taylor Savage scored two runs to aid the offense. The defense was led by Rachael Wheeler, and Becca Howard played well. Seven Rebels had hits in the game. Telstar is 1-0 on the season. - Coach Jim Lunney.

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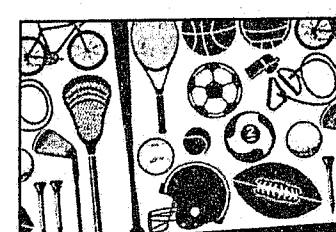
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p.gingrich@aol.com

BID SPECIFICATIONS

The Woodstock Board of Selectmen is requesting proposals for road maintenance on the Concord Pond Road from the Pellitt Road Intersection to the top of Shackley Hill a distance of approximately 1 mile and 18 feet wide.

Work is to include:

1. Ditching both sides of the road leaving a 3 to 1 back slope for run-off.
2. Placing a minimum of 6" of 3" minus crushed gravel on the final 18' wide surface.
3. 22 culverts will need to be reset and or replaced.
 - a. Culverts to be installed per manufacturer's specifications.
 - b. The town will supply the culverts.
4. Culverts will need to be armored (rocked) at the inlet and outlet.
5. Grass seed and hay must be applied to all ditches before completion.
6. The Town of Woodstock will supply a minimum of two 5-7 yard trucks and the equipment needed to level the fill removed during the ditching.
7. All work and materials will be approved by the Road Foreman and Road Commissioner.

Any other questions concerning this work may be directed to Road Foreman Randy Eastman at the Town Garage 26 Monk Ave Bryant Pond, ME 04219, or by phone at 207-665-2668.

Proposals will be due on May 7, 2013 at 5:00 PM at the Woodstock Town Office. Please mark them "RFP for Concord Pond Road."

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Town of Bethel announces that Nomination Papers will be made available at the Town Office on Monday March 18, 2013 for the following elected positions:

Two Selectmen - Three year term

Two Assessors - Three year term

Two School Board Directors - Three year term

Nomination papers need to be returned to the Town office no later than 5:00 PM on April 29, 2013

TOWN OF GREENWOOD REQUEST FOR BIDS

The Town of Greenwood is now accepting bids for seasonal maintenance for the following locations:

1. Town Office and Town Hall
2. Town Beach
3. Town Fire Station, Locke's Mills & Greenwood City
4. Cemetery's
5. Dunham Park Ballfield's & Playground Area
6. Veteran's Park

Spring clean up and mowing of grass areas as needed. Cemeteries must be mowed before Memorial Day. The bid must include all locations. Bids are due and will be opened at the Greenwood Board of Selectmen's Meeting on May 7, 2013 at 5:00pm at the Greenwood Town Office.

Please contact the Greenwood Town office for more information: 875-2773. Minimum liability insurance is required.

The Greenwood Board of Selectmen reserves the right to accept and/or reject any or all bids.

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Bethel Board of Selectmen are accepting applications for members to serve on the newly formed Recreational Facilities Committee. Applications must be submitted to the Town Office by noon Wednesday, May 1, 2013. Interested persons may call the Town Office at 824-2669 or email at info@bethelmaine.org for further information.

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Town will request upon selection of vendor proof of liability insurance. For further information you may contact the town office at 665-2668.

Town of Woodstock RESERVES THE RIGHT TO ACCEPT OR REJECT ANY OR ALL BIDS, IN PART OR IN WHOLE, if it is in the best public interest to do so.

Bids must be submitted in a sealed envelope plainly marked, "2013 Seasonal Maintenance Property Bids" with Attention to: "Town Manager Vern Maxfield" no later than Tuesday April 30, 2013, at 5:00p.m.

Vern Maxfield, Town Manager
Town of Woodstock
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Obituaries



WILFRED L. DUCHETTE
Wilfred L. (Duch) Duchette, 91, passed away on Monday, April 22, 2013 at the Maine Veterans' Home in South Paris, Maine. Duch was born in Mechanic Falls on June 17, 1921, son of Wilfred and Blanche (Davis) Duchette. He was educated in Mechanic Falls schools, graduating in the Class of 1940. He married his only true love, the former June Paine, on June 4, 1942. They moved from Oxford to Norway where with help from their family they built their own home and resided there for 63 years until June's passing in 2010. Wilfred joined the Army on Oct. 5, 1942 and was honorably discharged on Jan. 25, 1945. He served as a Military Police Officer during WWII in the African Campaign. He received the Eamet Ribbon with a bronze star and the Good Conduct Medal. He worked at Wilner Wood Products for 18 years, at Daniel's & Damon Laundry Service and Norway Laundry for 7 years, Twin Town Bowling Alley, Metropolitan Life Insurance as an in-

surance agent for 15 years, where he earned several awards before retiring in 1984. At some point in his life, he was a car salesman for Bessey Motors and Harold's Motors. He was a member of St. Catherine of Sienna Church where he served for many years as an usher. He was a member of the Norway American Legion, Post 82 and was very proud to be a member of the group that met at Wal-Mart for morning coffee to straighten out the world. Duch will always be remembered for his love and dedication to his family, for his love of people and for his great sense of humor. He is survived by his three children, Pamela Tikkanen and husband Glenn of Norway, Cheryl Burnham and husband Guy of Bethel, David Duchette and wife Patricia of Windham; grandchildren, Nisa Noble of South Paris, Eric Tikkanen and wife Melissa of Georgia, Krista Clay and husband Gary of Virginia, Alyssa Morrison and husband Peter of Oxford, Denise Elliot-Pruett and husband Jonathan of Waterford, John Elliot Jr. and wife Tania of Bethel, Dawn-Marie Elliot-Johnson and husband Chris of Bryant Pond, Katharine Duchette of Portland and Anna Duchette of Portland; great-grandchildren, Tiffany Noble and partner Joel of Norway, Travis Noble and wife Wendy of South Paris, DJ Noble of South Paris, Jordan, Morgan and Alexis Tikkanen of Georgia, Brianna, Gary and Kobe Clay of Virginia, Tres' and Caleb Morri-

son of Oxford, Dustin Edwards and Jonny Pruett of Waterford, Joshua and Makenzie Eliot of Bethel; great-great grandchildren, Wyatt and Isabelle Knightly of Norway, Abigail and Taylor Truman of Norway, Sophia Noble of South Paris; brothers, Carl and wife Nancy of Poland, Ramon and wife Jackie of Mechanic Falls; brother-in-law, William Scalon of New York and Otisfield; and very special nieces and nephews. He is predeceased by his parents; a twin brother; brothers, Pearl and Arthur; sisters, Helen Perry, Arlene Pryor, Pauline Wilson, Lena Scanlon and great-granddaughter, Gabrielle Eliot. We are deeply grateful to the staff of the Maine Veterans' Home in South Paris for their loving and wonderful care given to Duch over the last two years and to Androscoggin Home Care & Hospice during his final days. Family and friends are invited to attend a visitation on Friday, April 26 from 6 to 8 p.m. at Oxford Hills and Weston Funeral Services, 1037 Main Street, Oxford. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Saturday, April 27 at 1 p.m. at St. Catherine of Sienna Church in Norway followed by graveside services with Military honors at Riverside Cemetery on King Street in Oxford. Donations may be made to the Maine Veterans' Home Activity Fund, 477 High Street, South Paris, ME 04281. Online condolences may be expressed to the family at www.oxfordhillsfuneralservices.com

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Visitors were as much of a problem as the weather. Few of them understood about haying. Houseguests could be ignored. If the weather was perfect and there was much hay to get in, they could take their choice between getting their own dinner early or waiting and eating at ten p.m. with us. Also, this is the season when you are invited out for dinner to meet the visiting friends of your friends. We accepted only if we could come late and take potluck. Invariably, on the same day callers from out of state would drop in. Their time was limited, we really wanted to see them, so would take off an hour or so to chat. It was impossible to win. If we skimped the time with the guests, or went very late to a dinner party, thus getting in the hay, the next day would be fine and our hay could have waited. If we took a chance on continued fair weather and left the hay out, next day it would rain. For two summers we tried to bring some hay home from Riley Plantation, from a summer property there that once had been a working farm, a beautiful little spot back under the Mahoosic range, almost like a mountain meadow out West. This place attracted showers. We could see them coming and sometimes managed to get down the steep hill and far enough down the Sunday River valley to escape the storm. Often the rain would catch us halfway to safety. By the time we got home we would find bright sunshine, but our load was wet. Most of this was only fit for mulch. Once we had a flat tire just as we were ready to leave and start the twenty-mile trip. By the time the tire was changed, the rain had drenched the load; it had to be hauled away and dumped. None of the families in the valley who would have been near enough to get the hay dry wanted it. Again a changing world had bested us. Sorrowfully we watched the hay going to waste. Finally B.B. decided ruefully that cutting our own hay was a luxury that we couldn't afford. He could go with a truck to a working farmer and buy bales of it of prime quality from the field and fill our barn in only a day or two. We could cut our own at our leisure to help the fields. If the weather was fine, we could salvage it; if not, dump it for mulch. The first summer of this new regime the gods smiled upon us. With no effort, no agony, we got in every spear of grass in perfect condition. Other summers were not as lucky, but it did put the fun back in to haying. I always planned to build at least one load each year to retain my skill. Mowing the east forty is always a dilemma. B.B. wanted to get it done so that he could take the mower blade from the tractor. I always wanted to wait to salvage the last of the blueberries. It was a barren field, we had never had time to plow it and seed it down, the grass was almost worthless, but it had to be cut off. B.B. patiently waited for me to set the date. Consequently, I must return his generosity of spirit and tell him to go ahead, only to wait until I picked one more pail of berries. I walked over across the gully, knowing that the berries were not really worth the time spent garnering them. It was more of a sentimental journey, wandering about and getting two or three from a bush, enough to make two more batches of muffins. The air was sweet with sun-baked ferns. The bedstraw grew luxuriously in one spot, defied my attempts to transplant it nearer the house. Slender four-sided stems with whorls of needle-like leaves grew about a foot high to make a wavy carpet. The distinct scent of the June flowers was gone but still there was a fragrance very different from the ferns and brackens. I knew that pioneers gathered and dried it and used it to stuff mattresses and presumed that was the origin of the name, and I always wondered where they ever found enough of it, it is such a rare plant in this locality. Later when I visited Stowe one August I was surprised that every table in a large hotel dining room had a bouquet of it, that it was common there. I also learned the old legend that some of it had been mixed in the manger at Bethlehem. The smile of the Child had turned the tiny white blossoms to gold. It was known then as Our Lady's Bedstraw, all this shown in a fifteenth century painting by Poussin. Relating this to B.B., he remarked that evidently the folk of Stowe were more godly than those of Bethel. B.B. started his mowing and I finished my wandering, threw myself down on the ground to say farewell to summer. It wasn't really an end at all but the local custom is for everyone to say after haying, "Well, summer's over." A feeling of serenity more than sadness prompted it. Whether the crop was good or poor, gotten in fine condition or not, at least the concern had passed, no more direct encounters with uncontrollable weather. The sun beat down, warm, not hot. The soothing of the pines was a low harmony of sound. Gentle breezes wafted and spicy aroma. The clouds moved slowly across a paler blue sky. Until the mowing was done, I ignored my other chores, just lay there soaking in the quintessence of summer, an afternoon to store in memory against the storms of winter and the ravages of age.

Births

Brianna Tuominen and Kevin Newton of Woodstock are pleased to announce the birth of a baby girl, Maggie Mae Newton, born on March 29, 2013, at Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway, weighing 6 pounds, 5 ounces. Maternal grandparents are Bruce and Velora Tuominen of North Norway. Paternal grandparents are Richard and Trudy Newton of Norway. Maggie Mae joins her brother, Sawyer, age 18 months. ***** Johanna V. Gardner and Travis J. Durgin of Bethel are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Aiden Joseph Durgin, born on April 9, 2013 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway, weighing 7 pounds, 4 ounces. Maternal grandparents are Cynthia Morin and Alan Indermuehle of Punta Gorda, Fla. Paternal grandparents are Sherry Witas and James Durgin of Rumford. ***** Jasmine Fryberg of Andover and Cole Palman of South Paris are pleased to announce the arrival of a baby boy, Carter R. Palman, born April 12, 2013 at Stephens Memorial Hospital, Norway, weighing 8 pounds, 6 ounces. Maternal grandparents are Lana and the late Glenn Fyberg of Andover. Paternal grandparent is Cathy Palman of South Paris.

The Hunts Corner Cemetery Association
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If you see
Maureen Swain
on April 27,
be sure to wish her a
Happy 80th Birthday!

ATTENTION WOODSTOCK/BRYANT POND CEMETERY LOT OWNERS
Cemetery Clean-up is underway. In our efforts to keep our cemeteries as neat and well maintained as possible, we are requesting that any faded, wilted or dying flowers, wreaths or shrubbery be removed from any Woodstock/Bryant Pond Cemetery on or before May 11, 2013. Any remaining items of this nature will be removed by the caretakers prior to Memorial Day. Thank you for helping us with this annual chore.
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MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING

Family and friends are invited to a
25th Wedding Anniversary Celebration
for
Nita (Inman) & Ed Butters.
May 4 at 2pm
at the family camp
20 Baker Road
Songo Pond
Bethel, Maine

Thank You
I would like to thank everyone for their cards, phone calls, visits, and especially their prayers while I was in and out of the hospital and rehab for four months. I'm sure I would not have returned to my home as quickly as I did if it had not been for your expressions of love. I especially want to thank my New Hampshire family who visited every weekend and took care of things in my home and cared for my dog during my confinement. A special thank you goes to Arlene Lowell who helped my family and myself in many ways. Also, I offer a big thank you to my daughter from Wisconsin who came after my discharge to cook and help take care of me. Finally, I want to express my gratitude to the doctors and nurses at CMMC, as well as all the staff at Ledgewood Living Center who gave me so much encouragement and care.
Sincerely,
Barbara Mahler

Deepwood Farm
Lessons and Trail Rides Daily
KIDS CAMPS - 3 DAY
AGES 6-10 - \$255 (\$85 deposit)
July 1-3 & July 22-24
DAY CAMP \$185 / OVERNIGHT \$255
Highlight: Horse Show the last day
YOUTH CAMPS - 5 DAY
AGES 11+ - \$625 (\$50 Discount Before May 1)
Focus on horsemanship, lessons & trail ride and camping out with horses.
June 24-28 & July 10-14 - Overnight Camp
ADVANCED CAMP - 5 DAY
must walk/trail center - \$625 (\$50 Discount before May 1)
July 15-19 Overnight Camp
LADIES WEEKEND
3 DAY - Aug. 23-25
Overnight Trail Camp \$255
RIDING LESSONS SPECIAL
Group Rates for 50+ / Adults / Youth
6 WEEKS ONLY \$135 Lessons start mid April - Sign up NOW!

OPEN HOUSE
at
Nurturing Vines Childcare
312 Mayville Road
April 27th
10:00am-12:00pm
Come and see what we are about!
Accepting Summer and Fall Enrollment

Once a Princess, Always a Princess!
HAPPY 18TH BIRTHDAY TAYLOR SAVAGE!
We love ya!
Love Holly & Kaleb

Thank you
What a surprise for my birthday! My children, Jody and Debbie, and Willie and Patty all showed up with hamburger, hot dogs, rolls, and chips for a barbeque, homemade donuts, and gladiolus bulbs, my favorite flowers. My brother and Sharon came with birthday cake and ice cream, Ed and Lorie with a bird bath - so pretty! David with eggs. Friends and neighbors Lee, Mark, Jimmy, Austin, Toby, Amanda, and Andrew also came. It sure was special. Thanks, it was great!
Love you all, Freda

Please Join Us!
on
Saturday, April 27
at 1pm
to Celebrate the
50th Wedding Anniversary of Paul and Charlotte Kimball
at the Bethel Alliance Church.

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